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KEITH BERTSCHIN Norwich City

as I slipped the ball under Ipswich goalkeeper Paul Cooper. It was a marvellous moment.

The Cup-tie at Carrow Road was only five minutes old and we couldn't have wished for a better start.

I remember the ball dropped between myself and Terry Butcher, but young Mark Barham picked it up and slid it through for me. I found myself in space

I found myself in space behind the back four with just the 'keeper to beat — but the angle didn't favour me. I decided to chance my arm and have a crack at goal and thankfully it went in.

From then on, we knew it

From then on, we knew it was going to be one hell of a battle — and that's exactly what it was.

Ipswich threw everything at us, especially in the second half, and there were times when I feared they would score at any minute. But everyone in the Norwich side fought for the whole 90 minutes and showed tremendous determination to protect our slender lead.

The two lads at the back — Dave Watson and Aage Hareide — did excellent jobs on Ipswich dangermen Paul Mariner and Alan Brazil.

In fact, Ipswich created very few clear-cut chances and, in the end, we deserved to win. We knew we had to go into the game with just the right attitude and the result proved we did.

Sweeter

The fact that it was Ipswich we had knocked out made victory even sweeter for the supporters, but I was just glad to be in the hat for the next round.

We have had a tough Cup trail so far and it's not going to get any easier when we play Brighton in the next

But it will be a good test of character and if we can reproduce our past Cup form, anything can happen. In the Third Round of the

In the Third Round of the competition we beat John Toshack's Swansea — and that game was a personal triumph for me.

The two goals I scored not only put us through to the Fourth Round, but they also ended a goal famine which had lasted 11 games.

I scored another in the replay against Coventry at Carrow Road and my good run continued against lpswich.

In fact, that last weekend proved to be quite a successful one for me.

The following day I entered a fishing match and won that as well. A group of friends — quite proficient anglers — arranged a little tournament on a lake near Norwich and I said I would go along.

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After four hours only one
person had caught a fish . . .
and that was me!

ABOVE: Canary crush! Ecstatic Norwich players descend on goalscorer Keith Bertschin (second right). SCORING the winning goal against my old club Liverpool ranks as one of the most memorable moments of my career ... and for once I got carried away.

I was overjoyed and the other Brighton lads couldn't believe how I reacted.

Normally I just raise my arm and make my way casually back to the half-way line.

But this time I ran off with my arms in the air before being mobbed by the rest of the team... it was a great moment.

team...it was a great moment.
Anfield must be my lucky ground. I never lost there many times as a Liverpool player and I haven't been on the losing side there with Brighton yet.

And to score the winning goal as well was just unbelievable — a dream come true — and it took days to sink in.

We knew we had to keep a close watch on Kenny Dalglish and Graeme Souness because they control everything I ivernool do

they control everything Liverpool do.
We fought like hell to contain them and it seemed to work well. Everyone pulled their weight and played for each other — that's the only way to beat Liverpool.

We have beaten them twice at Anfield in the last three visits and I think the secret is to attack them and not just sit back otherwise they will just keep coming at you and eventually destroy you.

JIMMY CASE Brighton

obviously delighted to get through to the next round.

I spoke to a couple of Liverpool players after the game and there were some light-hearted exchanges.

Phil Neal shouted to me wishing me all the best while Phil Thompson kept telling me I was 'jammy', but there was no animosity involved and we're still friends.

I love coming back to Anfield because I

I love coming back to Anfield because I always get a good reception from my old friends and the fans — but I wonder if it will be the same after this.

RIGHT: A delighted Jimmy Case — he scored the match-winner against his former club.

BELOW: Spurs goalkeeper Ray Clemence lays beaten as goalscorer Andy King (arms raised) takes the congratulations of his Everton team-mates.



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The strange thing is, I feared we had scored too early when Gerry Ryan gave us the lead after 33 minutes. If you score early on against Liverpool, they come at you even harder and it's almost inevitable they will score.

They did just that with a goal after 68 minutes. I thought it was going to a replay. I think we would have been quite happy with that

But, within a minute, I scored to put us back in the lead. From then on we were just hanging on and I was so relieved to hear the final whistle. The last five minutes seemed to last an eternity.

It was an emotional moment for me and I had mixed feelings because I still love Liverpool. But I'm a Brighton player now and

ANDY KING Everton

IT was the day Goodison came alive for the first time this season.

And that's why I don't believe that even a Glenn Hoddle-inspired Tottenham would have denied us our hour of glory.

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The atmosphere was electric. You could sense the Everton fans, frustrated by living permanently in the shadows of Liverpool's success, praying for Cup glory.

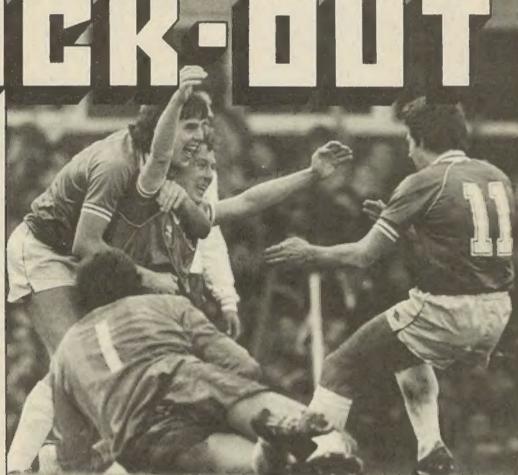
And the atmosphere and occasion stoked up the fires in the players' hearts.

I know that Tottenham were under strength and not the side of recent seasons, but I don't think the presence of Osvaldo Ardiles and Glenn Hoddle would have made any difference to the outcome.

We were confident from the outset that we would end Tottenham's FA Cup reign, whatever side they

We had beaten them 3-1 at Goodison earlier in the season, and we all felt that we could do it again.

In the end, we were full value for our 2-0 victory and I don't think Tottenham could have any complaints.



With Liverpool knocked out the following day, it gave Everton fans something to shout about at work the next day for a change.

The Cup win has given everyone a massive boost around Goodison. We are now carrying Merseyside's hopes in the competition.

It was great for me to set Everton on the way with the opening goal, especially as Tottenham ended my Wembley hopes last season in the League Cup Semi-Finals with West Brom.

Now we face the side everyone wanted to avoid away from home in the Sixth Round. But you've got to beat teams like Manchester United if you want to win the Cup.

We are not frightened by the prospect. We have a

reasonable track record at Old Trafford, and it will be like a mini-Cup Final on the day with around 25,000 Everton fans there.

I can remember scoring twice there in a League Cup victory back in 1976 when Everton went to Wembley in the League Cup only to lose at the third attempt to Aston Villa.

I would be more than happy to do that again and move a step nearer my Wembley dream. After three FA Cup Semi-Final defeats, two with

After three FA Cup Semi-Final defeats, two with Everton and one with West Brom, I'm hoping for a change of luck.

It's a dream at the moment, but if we can overcome United, then, who knows, it may be my year for reality.

GARRY Thompson believes his planned partnership with Cyrille Regis could take the First Division by storm.

Following his £225,000 move across the Midlands, he told 'Match': "I think we'll prove a handful for any defence."

It may be a matter of weeks before the powerfully built black duo are striking fear into the hearts of centre-backs up and down

But the mere thought of Garry and Cyrille on the rampage has already set knees knocking back at the 23-year-old's former

He explains: "I spoke to some of the Coventry lads after signing for West Brom and they said they were dreading playing against

"Personally I'm looking forward to teaming up with Cyrille and I think we should

compliment each other really well."
When West Brom first showed interest in Garry, rumours were rife that manager Ron Wylie saw him as a possible replacement for big Cyrille, whose contract is up at the end of

But as Garry says: "Ron Wylie told me before I signed that he wanted me as a

partner for Cyrille and not a replacement.
"That was one of things that influenced my decision to join Albion because I'm really excited about playing alongside him.

"He is a tremendous player — probably the best centre-forward in the country — and I believe he should be in the England team.

"I am more of an old fashioned centre-forward, whereas Cyrille likes to pick the ball up deeper and make long runs at defences and I think we could work well

The move to 'The Hawthorns' ended a frustrating two-month spell for Garry who lost his place in the Coventry side at the beginning of December.

"I had to miss a couple of games because of

suspension. I didn't get back into the team until the end of January -- and that was only as substitute for a couple of matches," he

recalls.
"I wasn't happy about being left out, but I never made a song and dance about it. I spoke to Dave Sexton and he explained that he could not change the side while the lads were

"He said it was up to me to work hard and fight my way back into the side, which I was

quite prepared to do."
Garry's best chance to re-establish himself in the Coventry side came in the FA Cup Fourth Round replay against Norwich at Carrow Road early in February.

But things turned sour because Coventry were knocked out of the Cup and Garry was sent off following a series of fouls.

"I felt really down in the mouth all the way

home and when I got off the coach the manager said he wanted to see me in his office the next morning.

"I thought I was going to get a ticking off and was a little worried about it... especially as most of the lads had been given the day off.

"But when I went to see him he told me the reason for the meeting was that Albion had offered to pay £225,000 for me and the Coventry board had accepted it.'

It seemed that a deal would go through within a matter of days, but the two clubs could not agree on the method of payment.

'One minute the move was on and the next



TALBOT

it was off," says Garry. "All I knew was what I read in the papers and it was all very

read in the paper unsettling.
"At one point I had resigned myself to staying at Highfield Road, but then the deal was suddenly on again and everything was signed and sealed.

I am delighted to have joined a club like Albion, but at the same time I'm sorry to leave

Coventry because I was very happy there.

"I never had any disagreements with the club and we parted very amicably. There comes a time when a player has to move and this was it," says Garry, who joined Coventry straight from school and made his debut against Aston Villa in 1978

He scored 49 goals in 150 apparances and for the last few seasons was a regular in a side

bursting with potential.

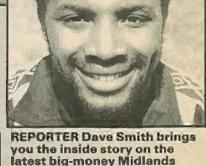
The highlight of his Coventry career was the tremendous run the young side enjoyed in the League Cup two years ago.

The average age was only 21 so it was a great achievement to reach the Semi-Finals where we eventually lost to West Ham.

"I really believe Coventry are now living up to their early potential and it's a pity I had to leave," says Garry, who has once again teamed up with Ron Wylie.

"Ron was coach at Coventry when I joined and I spent about five years with him. He taught me a great deal and helped set me on the road to success.

The fact that he is in charge at West Brom



Garry Thompson (left) in action for Coventry against
Brighton's Gary Stevens — West Brom will be hoping he
shows similar aggression at the Hawthbrns.
Inset: Cyrille Regis — "He's probably the best centre-forward
in England," says his new striking partner.

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helped persuade me to sign and I just hope I can do well and repay the faith he has shown in me."

Garry, who has signed a three-year contract with Albion, believes he will settle in quite

quickly at 'The Hawthorns'.

He says: "I think the fact that the manager knows me and knows the way I play will help

me a great deal.
"I hope I can do a good job for the Albion and help them win a place in Europe — that would be a perfect start.

The future of the club looks very good and with players like Cyrille, Derek Statham, Gary Owen and Martyn Bennett around, it must only be a matter of time before we enjoy some success."

Garry's departure from Highfield Road will have come as a disappointment to Coventry fans, with whom the young player had become a firm favourite.

And club skipper Gerry Francis also has reservations about the loss of a promising young player. "Personally I was sorry to see Garry go," says the former England captain. "In fact I would be sorry to see any young

players leave Coventry because we have got such a small squad.

'Garry's strength in the air and his aggression are his main assets — perhaps sometimes he is a little too aggressive. But I wish Garry luck at Albion where I'm sure he has a bright future."

'King' Kenny Dalglish (below) in menacing mood against Ipswich

TOUGH defender Allan Evans has crowned 'King' Kenny Dalglish 'the problem prince'.

Allan, who describes the Liverpool and Scotland ace as 'one in a million' says: "He consistently gives me more trouble than anyone else in the game."

The Scottish international defender has played against some of the best strikers in the business at club and international level alike

But of all the front-runners he has had the unenviable task of marking, it is the Anfield idol who makes life more difficult than most.

'He is one of the most difficult players I've had to mark," says Allan. "You can't afford to let him out of your sights for a minute.

'Playing against him requires 90

minutes of total concentration.

"Kenny's biggest asset is his ability to shield the ball and then turn his marker in a split-second.

"You have to give him a yard of

space and wait until he shows you a bit of the ball before you make a challenge - but that doesn't happen very often.

"If you get too close to him, it can be fatal. He can sense that you are tight up behind him and, once he turns, you are left standing."
Allan says that the job of

marking the Liverpool star is made marking the Liverpool star is made even more difficult when he drops deeper into midfield. "You have to go with him because he's a player you can't afford to leave on his own," he says.

"But if you do a man-to-man marking job, you are pulled out of position and leave gaps at the back."

Kenny has now struck up a good understanding with ian Rush, and Allan admits the 'dynamic duo' is a handful for any defence.

"They complement each other so well," he says. "It seems that when lan doesn't score, Kenny

chips in with the odd goal, and vice-versa.

"lan is good at finding space for himself and getting the wrong side of defenders — and as we've seen many times, he's a tremendous finisher."

But Kenny is also an expert when it comes to finding the net as he showed with his superb solo goal for Scotland against Belgium in the European Championship in December.

"He can score goals out of nothing and I'm sure any manager would love to have him in his

team," says Allan.
Another Scottish striker Allan rates very highly is Ipswich Town's unsettled star Alan Brazil.

"He would not be too far behind



EVANS NAMES HIS MOST TROUBLESOME OPPONENTS

Kenny in my list of most difficult opponents," says Allan. "In fact, the two are very similar

because, like Kenny, Alan has the ability to turn defenders inside out.

"He is one of the best left-footed players around at the moment and always causes me problems when

Villa play Ipswich.

"Alan has scored a lot of goals for his club and, although he has so far failed to reproduce the same form for Scotland, I am sure his time will come.

Big Allan admits that the lesser-built players often give him more trouble than the tall, bustling strikers he regularly comes up against.

I would sooner play against the bigger lads because you know what to expect — a bruising, 90-minute battle," says Allan

"One player I always seem to have a real tussle with is Notts County's Justin Fashanu. There's always an explosion when we

meet on the park.
"And similarly when I'm
marking West Brom's Garry Thompson, I know I'm going to have a tough, physical battle with

Allan had trouble of a different kind with the volatile Barcelona players in his side's Super Cup victory at Villa Park last month.

He was sent off for 'two bookable offences' and was banned from playing in the European Cup Quarter-Final game against Juventus this week.

The incident in the game against the Spaniards was the latest in a series of set-backs the central defender has suffered this season.

The first came before the new League campaign had even started when Allan injured his ankle in a pre-season game in Germany.

That took months to clear up and then I had trouble with hip and



Alan Brazil — one of the best left-footed players around.

Allan Evans — "Kenny Dalglish is one in a million."

calf muscle injuries," he says. "In fact I've had more injuries so far this season than I've had

throughout my career.
"It's been a disappointing season for me and probably the worst I've had since I joined Villa."

The events of this season are in stark contrast to last year when Allan felt he was playing at the peak of his form.

"Everything went well for me last season and I didn't seem to have a bad spell or any problems with injury," says Allan who collected the first of his four Scottish international caps in 1982.

"And when I was included in the squad for the World Cup Finals, it capped a great year for me." Allan has failed to make the

Scotland side since the World Cup, but he now hopes to put that right. "I feel I'm back to my old form now and keen to get back in the Scotland reckoning."

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Andy Peake - disaster season.

ENGLAND youth international Andy Peake is ready to start the season . . . in March!

The talented midfield player is fit and rarin' for the chance to reclaim his place in the Leicester side after a seven-month absence. Andy, one of Leicester's key

players in their FA Cup glory run to the Semi-Finals last season, injured an ankle in a pre-season friendly at Plymouth and didn't resume training until the beginning of January.
But now he's ready to underline

the potential he showed last season.

"It's been a frustrating season for me. After playing so well in the second half of last term, I was looking forward to helping Leicester's promotion drive," he

"And my frustration hasn't been helped any in the knowledge that I have been unable to show new manager Gordon Milne what I can

"I've had about a dozen reserve and third team games since the beginning of the year, but I'm badly in need of some competitive football in the Second Division. "I might as well write off this

season, aithough I know I must keep going in the hope of getting a chance in the side.

"Kevin MacDonald has been operating in my midfield role for most of the season, but the manager recently brought in Coventry's Gerry Daly on loan and I suppose that hasn't helped my chances of getting back into the

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HALF-HOUR

RAY Houghton is the half-hour 'Hammer'. Thirty minutes is how long his first team career at West Ham lasted — Ray being restricted to one substitute's appearance, against Arsenal at Highbury last season.

And Fulham's free transfer scoop admits: "It wasn't a memorable game for me. We were beaten 2-0, thanks to goals from Graham Rix and Alan Sunderland."

The 21-year-old, who's been a revelation as newly-promoted Fulham have surged to the top of the Second Division, was given a free transfer by the Upton Park club at the end of the season.

I couldn't believe it at first. It was like a bolt out of the blue. I thought I'd done enough to be retained. Even though I'd played in midfield all season, I was the leading scorer in the reserves

"The club had so many good youngsters coming through thay they felt they could do without me," says the Scot.

Bitterfy disappointed, Ray jetted off to

Majorca on holiday. "I just wanted to get away from it all and have time to think."

But he wasn't out of a job for long because when he returned home there was a letter from Fulham manager Malcolm Macdonald on his mat asking him to go and see him.

Apparently I'd been recommended by Terry Mancini, Fulham's reserve team manager. He'd seen me play against them and was impressed.

Dream

"Since then everything has gone like a dream. It's difficult to take it all in.

"I didn't think I'd walk straight into the first team, but that's just what happened. I made my debut on the opening day of the season against Rotherham and have been an ever-present since.

"Even though we were only promoted to the Second Division last season, there's no question of the manager wanting to just consolidate our position in the higher sphere this term.

'He's ambitious to get to the top flight as soon as possible and that's where we're heading," says Ray.

"They way we are playing at the

moment, we deserve to be promoted. We are playing some really good football.

"We've got two very good strikers in Dean Coney and Gordon Davies. They've both been in terrific form this season and are scoring plenty of goals.
"In fact, I believe the blend is right

throughout the team. It's a good mixture of youth and experience," adds Ray, who worked as a clerk in a shipping office before being offered terms by West Ham. "It's incredible to think that I could be

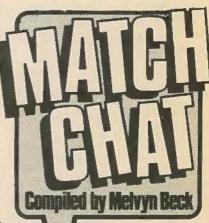
facing West Ham next season as a First Division player. It's something I'm dreaming about," says Ray.

■ FOLLOWING the impressive goalscoring debuts of Alan Dickens and Tony Cottee, look out for the name of Warren Donald in future West Ham sides.

He's another budding star of 'Hammers' successful youth policy, and his tigerish midfield play has already earned him a place in the England youth squad.



Ray Houghton — bitter disappointment turned to delight.





BEAUTIFUL Isabelle Turpault -Miss France 1983 — shows off the emblem for the European Championship Finals being staged in her home country next year. The logo on 19-year-old isabelle's T-shirt also makes up the new UEFA emblem.

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ROAR OF THE RAMS

DERBY boss Peter Taylor reckons a full house at the Baseball Ground creates more atmosphere and noise than at places like Old Trafford, Anfield and St James' Park.

And that's why he's banking on the Derby fans to play their part in helping the club cling on to their Second Division status.

"In Cup games at the Baseball Ground, our supporters have been tremendous. But I want them to get behind us like that every week," he says.
"I've taken teams to places like

Anfield, Old Trafford and St James' Park, where the crowd noise is supposed to be something special — but I firmly believe that a full house at the Baseball Ground can produce even more noise and

atmosphere than any of those

places.
"It's something to do with the construction of the stands and terracing, which seems to amplify the noise several times over. And when a side can hear that behind us, there's nothing they can't achieve."



Could you wait until I've taken the penalty, Eamonn?

■ SECOND Division Shrewsbury are giving player-manager Graham Turner a testimonial match at the end of this season to mark his ten vears with the club.

■ CARLISLE must be sick of the sight of young Wolves striker Billy Livingstone.

He popped up to seal matters at Carlisle earlier in the season, and then produced a dramatic late winner in the return at Molineux after coming on as substitute.

M NORWEGIAN international defender Einar Aas has been forced to retire from football. The 27-year-old Nottingham Forest player has been out of action for 15 months with a pelvic injury.

NEW FACES WILL HALT SWANS' DIVE - ALLAN EVANS

SWANSEA'S decline will continue unless the Welsh club brings in new blood, predicts Aston Villa defender Allan Evans.

After four glorious years, which saw the 'Swans' leap from Division Four to Division One in successive seasons, they are now staring relegation in the face.

face.
Says Allan: "Swansea bought a lot of experienced players to help them win promotion from the lower divisions — and they really did them proud for a time. "But now I believe it's time for

them to bring in new players to inject some life into a struggling

Paul Atkinson — could become the first Oldham player to play for England in fifty years.

PEN PALS

I'M a Leeds and Motherwell fan who would like a female penpal, aged 13 to 16, who lives outside Great Britain.

Thomas Paimer, 19 Foxglove Avenue, Leeds.

I'M a 16-year-old Italian boy who is a keen Arsenal fan. I would like a penpal who follows Arsenal. Michele De Respinis, via Luigi Rovelli 38, 71100 Foggia,

I'M a 14-year-old Tottenham fan who would like a female Tottenham supporter about the same age. Paul Johnson, 7 Bannister House, 60 Third Avenue, London W10.

I'M a 16-year-old West Ham supporter who would like a male penpal who supports any team outside Britain. Lorraine Stevens, 47 Saxville Road, St Paul's Road, Orpington, Kent.

I'M a 13-year-old Newcastle fan and would like a penpal about the same age who lives in the North East and goes to all their matches. Nicholas Watson, 35 Montrose Road, Ecclesall,

LEEDS are my favourite team and I would like a female penpal, aged 16 to 17, who goes to Elland Road

Steven Holden, 89 Sherwood Avenue, St Albans,

Sheffield.

WILDERNIESS **OLDHAM YOUNGSTERS**

READY TO FACE GREECE

OLDHAM youngsters Paul Atkinson and John Ryan are on the verge of leading the unfashionable Second Division side out of the international wilderness.

Both are in line for their first England Under-21 caps against Greece at the end of the month after being included in the last two

squad training sessions.

And they hope it will be a stepping stone to bigger things for it's more than fifty years since an Oldham player was capped by England at senior level!

They were recommended to England's Bobby Robson by new Oldham boss Joe Royle who knows what it takes to play at the

highest international level.

Both players have figured prominently in the Oldham revival this season which has seen the club transformed into an outside bet for promotion.

Midfield player Paul, whose father Charlie played for Hull and Bradford Park Avenue, admits that an England call-up was the furthest from his mind at the start of the

"My main aim was to re-establish myself in the Oldham team after losing my place towards the end of last season, particularly with a new manager taking over," says the 20-year-old.
"I wasn't very satisfied with my overall

"I wasn't very satisfied with my overall performances during the past two seasons,

but this term I feel I'm producing my best football for the club.
"Perhaps it's due in some way to the arrival of manager Joe Royle who is very attack conscious and allows me to play with plenty of freedom on the left hand side of midfield. "I've built up a good understanding on the left with full-back John Ryan, who is having a tremendous season.

tert with full-back John Nyan, who is having a tremendous season. "He's had a lot of rave reports and several big clubs have been watching him. I'm not surprised, because he's popped in seven goals

If hope I get the chance in the Under-21 side. I was once included in an England Youth squad but never managed to make the side, so I'm keeping my fingers crossed this time." It didn't take long for Oldham to spot Paul's

potential.

He played just one half in a trial match at the club and was offered apprentice terms straight away.

straight away.

"I was recommended to the club by a friend of my father who knew Oldham manager Jimmy Frizzel," says Paul, who went on to score within six minutes of his League debut at Newcastle in 1979.

"They hadn't even watched me before I played in that practice match. I was quite surprised when they offered me apprentice terms at half-time because I had been out of action for several weeks with a groin injury.

"I had the chance to sign for several clubs as a schoolboy, but I didn't want to commit myself too early.

as a schoolboy, but I didn't want to commit myself too early.

"But I had always wanted to be a professional footballer like my father so when Oldham gave me the chance as an apprentice I decided to take it.

"I would love to help the club into the First Division and put them in the limelight.

"It's always been a problem for the club living in the shadows of Manchester United and Manchester City.

"When I came down from Yorkshire, some of the public in Oldham didn't even know what division the club played in. But it's slowly beginning to change." slowly beginning to change.

SUBBUTED SHOWDOWN

THERE'S another Regional Final this weekend in the 1983 Match Weekly/Subbuteo National Championships and once again spectators can win a FREE mystery prize.

The North East final takes place this Saturday (March 5) at Redgates, Sheffield from 10.30am to

All you have to do is take along this issue of 'Match' — or just this cutting — to qualify for your prize. Spectators are welcome.

HEART-MOVING

WHY IRISHMAN PAT JETS TO SCOTLAND

BY the end of the season, Hearts midfielder Pat Byrne will have travelled more than 16,000 miles just to get to home matches.

The former Leicester star lives in his home city of Dublin and he flies a 418-mile round trip every

flies a 418-mile round trip every weekend to play for the Scottish First Division club. Football's 'wonder on the wing' began his Irish Sea shuttle at the beginning of the season after moving out of Edinburgh. He explains: "I joined Hearts from Leicester at the beginning of last season, but my wife and family just couldn't settle in the city."

city,
"After five years away from
Eire, we were itching to go
home. We couldn't sell our house
in England and were having to

In England and were naving to live in a flat in Edinburgh "Living on the second floor meant that we didn't have any garden for the children to play in. "It was very depressing and in the end we decided that we just

had to get out and go home," says Pat, who started his career with Irish club Shelbourne, before moving to Leicester in July 1979.

expected it to be the end of the line for me at Hearts. I thought my decision to return home would cost me my

'It came as a surprise when the club agreed a deal with Irish airline Aer Lingus and allowed

me to commute every week.
But I'd had a good season and
the club needed experience in
midfield after selling Derek
Addison to St Johnstone for

The flying distance between Dublin and Edinburgh is 209 miles, although Pat says. "It often takes me longer to drive to

the airport from my home than it does to cross the Irish Sea. "The flight takes just 45 minutes, but all the waiting around and checking in makes the whole journey last about

"At first, commuting was a novelty and I enjoyed it. Now it's beginning to become hard

Pat trains on weekday evenings with local club Shamrock Rovers and only meets up with his Hearts

afternoon before a big game.

He says: "I take the lunch-time flight to Edinburgh and then go straight to the ground for a light work-out.

I miss not training regularly

with the players — and I wish I could be with them all the time.

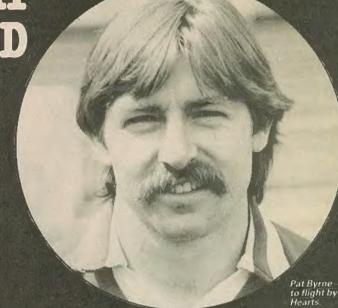
"Last season I used to take a lot of the free-kicks, but now the job has been given to other players who can practise on the moves during the week.
"Hearts are battling it out at

the top of the table and, if we are still up there with about six weeks of the season to go, I'll

And if Hearts, who finished third last season, do finally manage to gain promotion to the Scottish Premier Division, Pat

pledges I'll seriously consider going back to live. "My wife Mary wouldn't mind going back now. She's got over her homesickness and knows that if she did want to return home, we'd still have the house in Dublin

His regular trips from the Irish Republic do have one advantage — he's never short of friends. Pat jokes: "The players and staff aren't slow to put in their orders



for the duty free!"

Pat became a victim of football's cash crisis when he was released on a free transfer after making 36 League appearances for Leicester. He says: "I was very disappointed to be released, but

the club were going through a

bad phase. "They had just been relegated from the First Division and had an awful lot of players on their books. The club simply couldn't afford to keep them all and had to prune the staff.

My two years at Leicester were the best of my career. I really enjoyed my spell at Filbert Street and I'll always have a soft spot for the club.

"But being given a free transfer really brought me down to earth with a bump," confesses the 26-year-old: "It was a very worrying time because so many other players were released at

the same time."

A telephone call from his former Leicester team-mate Derek Strickland persuaded him to move North to Scotland and sign for Hearts. "Derek had just signed for

Hearts and he told me what a friendly, well-run club they were. In many ways he sold Hearts to

"I never thought I'd have to quit football because I was lucky enough to receive a few offers. Burnley, Oldham and an American club all tried to sign

Now Pat is aiming for promotion to the Premier Division and he says: "The only team that really worries me are Partick Thistle

They are the best team we have played. They are so well organised and don't give much away. They are my tip to fill one of the promotion places."

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Programme swops on Page 27.

I'M beginning to wonder whether our manager Bob Paisley is victim of an FA Cup hoodoo!

The coveted trophy is the only one missing from his collection and it would have been great to have won it for him in his last season at Anfield.

But it seems that we were never fated to lift the FA Cup while Bob was in charge.

The chances are that when the boss retires we'll go and win the trophy at the first

I remember talking to my former Liverpool team-mate Terry McDermott last year when we were knocked out in the Fifth Round by Chelsea. He said we were jinxed and I'm

beginning to think he was right.
The FA Cup seems to be the one competition where we don't get the breaks and success has eluded us since we beat

Newcastle in the 1974 Final.

We reached the final again in 1978 but lost to Manchester United and since then we have only been spectators at the biggest event in

the soccer calendar.

We were hoping this might be our year for another taste of FA Cup success, but as we discovered against Brighton it was not meant

It was one of those days where nothing went right for us. We didn't get the run of the green and the struggling South Coast club notched up their second victory in three visits to Anfield.

But I'm not wishing to take anything away from Brighton because they battled away for 90 minutes and gave the sort of performance we would have been proud of ourselves.

We started off very sloppily and it took us a while to find any sort of form. We had most of

the play in the first half but missed several good chances.

And we paid the penalty after 33 minutes when Gerry Ryan put the 'Seagulls' ahead.
That shook us up a little bit and we started to play, but we had to wait until the 68th

minute before we managed to get an equaliser through Craig Johnston.
My view of the goal was blocked. I just remember seeing a melee in the box and the ball ending up in the net.

We were still celebrating the goal when my former team-mate Jimmy Case put one in at the other end to spoil our fun.

Jimmy was a very popular fellow when he was at Liverpool and so if anyone had to score for them I'm glad it was him. He had a dream

From then on we threw everything at Brighton, but they held on well and really frustrated us - something very few teams

succeed in doing when they come to Anfield. I thought their defence did a very good job because they had to soak up a lot of pressure. And up front big Mike Robinson — who I rate

very highly — was always a problem.

Apparently their aim was to use Jimmy and
Tony Grealish to snuff out myself and Kenny Dalglish. And I suppose if you look at the result they must have been effective.

It was obviously not going to be our day and we were convinced of that when Phil Neal

missed a penalty near the end.

Phil was naturally upset about the miss, but we are not blaming him for our defeat. He has won us a lot of games in the past and he is experienced enough to want to take the next penalty. His confidence hasn't been affected, because he scored England's winner against Wales from the spot.

All the lads were very disappointed. The dressing room was like a morgue after the game and defeat was made even worse by the fact that the boss had not won the FA Cup and this year was his last chance.

It was our second cup defeat within the space of ten days, although despite losing to Burnley at Turf Moor but still went through to the Final of the Milk Cup 3-1 on aggregate.

We never played against Burnley and they probably deserved their 1-0 win. After beating them 3-0 in the first leg at Anfield we went into the second leg with the wrong attitude. We felt as though we had already done the

job and we could coast to Wembley.
On the face of it Burnley gave us two hard games and after the first leg people were saying that they could have beaten us had they converted their chances

All that sounds very well, but we had a number of chances as well, which, had we taken them, could have made the score 10-2.

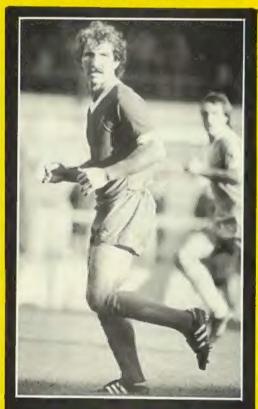
When we have been knocked out of domestic cup competitions it has often been a lesser team that has done the damage

But that sort of thing is always liable to happen because our opponents raise their game and if we fall below par we can easily get turfed out.

When teams like Brighton come to Anfield it is probably the highlight of their season and so they tend to perform better than they would against most other sides.

The defeat by Brighton was our first major

PAISLEY'S JINX **RIKES AGAIN**



THE GRAEME SOUNESS

The Liverpool skipper talks frankly about the shock FA Cup defeat at the hands of Brighton. Don't miss his exclusive column — every fortnight and only in 'Match'.

set back of the season however and at least we have a chance to make up for it by

achieving success in other competitions.

We are already through to the Final of the Milk Cup, we are still in the European Cup and have a great chance of winning the League Championship — so there is still plenty left to

We have just got to put that FA Cup defeat behind us now and get on with the job - it will be a good test of character for us

will be a good test or character for us.

On Saturday we will be looking to maintain our lead at the top of the First Division by beating Stoke City at Anfield.

They gave us a hard game in the Fourth Round of the FA Cup when we beat them 2-0 with goals from Kenny Dalglish and Ian Rush.

Stoke played very defensively and were heavily criticised, but manager Richie Barker has said he will play the same way again.

I hope for the sake of the supporters that they don't just come here to defend, because it can make it a very boring game for the fans to watch

Sometimes it pays a side to come to Anfield and try to attack us . . . Brighton did and look what happened to them!

See you in two weeks.

Graeme Souness was talking to Dave Smith.

BRIGHTON became only the second team to beat Liverpool in the FA Cup at Anfield since Chelsea achieved a 2-1 Third Round victory there in season 1965-66.

The following table shows Liverpool's winning sequence of home results in the competition between the two defeats:

1966-67: Third Round replay -Fourth Round — Aston Villa 1-0. - Watford 3-1:

1967-68: Third Round replay-Bournemouth 4-1; Fourth Round — Burnley 2-1; Fifth Round — Leicester 0-0.

1969-70: Third Round — Coventry 3-0; Fourth Round - Wrexham 3-1; Fifth Round -Leicester 0-0.

1970-71: Third Round — Aldershot 1-0; Fourth Round - Swansea 3-0; Fifth Round -Southampton 1-0; Sixth Round - Spurs 0-0.

1971-72: Fourth Round - Leeds 0-0.

1972-73: Third Round replay - Burnley 3-0; Fourth Round - Man. City 0-0.

1973-74: Third Round — Doncaster 2-2; Fourth Round — Carlisle 0-0; Fifth Round — Ipswich 2-0.

1974-75: Third Round - Stoke 2-0.

1976-77: Third Round — C. Palace 0-0; Fourth Round — Carlisle 3-0; Fifth Round — Oldham 3-1; Sixth Round — Middlesbrough

1978-79: Third Round replay - Southend 3-0; Fourth Round — Blackburn 1-0; Fifth Round — Burnley 3-0.

1979-80: Third Round — Grimsby 5-0; Fifth Round - Bury 2-0.

1980-81: Third Round - Altrincham 4-1.

1982-83: Fourth Round - Stoke 2-0.

LIVERPOOL'S FA CUP EXITS, SEASON

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1975-76	Derby(a)	Fourth	0-1
1976-77	Man. Utd	Final	1-2
1977-78	Chelsea(a)	Third	2-4
1978-79	Man. Utd.	Semi-Final	0-1
1979-80	Arsenal	Semi-Final	0-1
1980-81	Everton(a)	Fourth	1-2
1981-82	Chelsea(a)	Fifth	0-2
1982-83	Brighton(h)	Fifth	1-2







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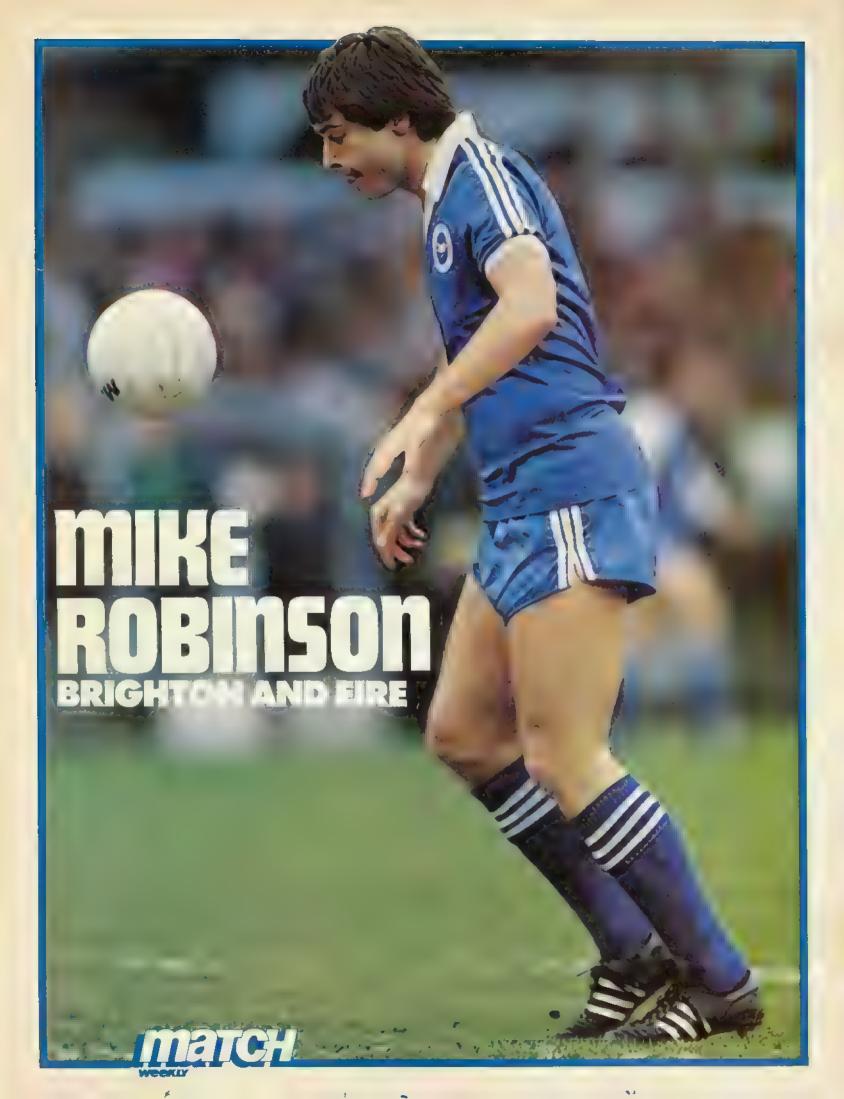
WINDO CELEAD THE FIELD











CONTINUING the fascinating story of the former Sheffield United and Watford manager's ups and downs on the other side of the Atlantic.

Now back in England, he's telling all . .

exclusive to 'Match'.

I WAS always given a hostile reception on my visits to Tampa but the worst was reserved for my son, Keith.

He had the habit of scoring vital goals against them and on one occasion we against them and on one occasion we arrived to find the fans had constructed a life-sized effigy of Keith — complete with long blond hair — which they had hung from the rafters of the stadium! It was soon obvious that Tampa Bay

were to be Cosmos' strongest opponents. Their attendances averaged 20,000 and the Florida sunshine certainly gave them the

edge in acquiring players.

The fact their fans were to prove equally difficult all stemmed from the time I accepted the position of head coach to Team America... and failed to play Tampa's keeper Mauser in a Bi-Centennial

competition which included the English,
Italian and Brazilian national teams.
Cosmos' first League match after the
Bi-Centennial was in Tampa Bay and you
can guess what sort of reception I received!
There was immediate chaos at the

airport with the refusal of the immigration authorities to allow several players including Pele — into the country, due to the expiry of their visas.

It was no great surprise when the young lady responsible for the visa mix-up later disappeared from the Cosmos office!

Anyway, there we were without Pele to attend the usual press conference that took

place at every venue.

As usual, I was introduced to the packed gathering. I in turn introduced Pele and then sat back while, through his interpreter, he answered a barrage of repetitive questions. If I got asked one

question I was lucky.
Pele was always asked 'How much do you earn?' and 'Why did you come to the

Ŝtates?

His stock answer was that he did not come for the money, but only to sponsor the game he loved

You can take or leave that answer when you consider he was getting paid over six million dollars!

In Tampa, our new Italian signing Georgio Chinaglia was only too pleased to step into Pele's shoes and, accompanied by captain Keith Eddy, the three of us faced the packed meeting room under a

taced the packed meeting room under a barrage of spotlights.

The absence of Pele did not improve the humour of the local press and for once I was asked several questions. The one that started all the trouble was: Why didn't you pick Mauser for the Bi-Centennia!

matches?

Mauser had been available to me, but I had selected Cosmos 'keeper Rigby to play against Italy in the first match.
Unfortunately, Rigby gave away a silly penalty to start the Italian scoring.

For the next match I picked Eric Martin, the former Southampton 'keeper, and he played brilliantly against Brazil in a match we dominated but lost to a goal very early on and one on the final whistle

My intention was to play Mauser against Don Revie's England at Philadelphia, but Woosnam, the Commissioner, asked me to play Rigby because he was a local boy and it was hoped to boost flagging ticket sales.

I told Mauser the reason for not playing

him and he seemed to accept his disappointment gracefully

Actually, he was very fortunate to be in the squad. Had I followed the advice of Eddie Firmani, Mauser's coach at Tampa



he would not have been selected

Anyway I did my best to explain to the Tampa Bay media what had happened and I thought that was the end of it. How wrong I was

The next day we went through the pre-match presentations and Pele was last out as usual But instead of the usual tumultuous applause, he was greeted with

Then, on a signal from the commentator

every person in the 35,000 crowd held up a sheet of white card with 'PELE' written on

On a second signal, the cards were turned over. On the back was written 'WRO?' and, as one, the crowd shouted PELE WHO?

We thought it was an insult to a great player but there was more to follow. When was introduced it went something like

And now the man who did not pick Mauser for the national team — Ken Furphy BOOOO . . . '

From the deathly silence of the Pele intro, here I was being roundly booed by 35,000 fans.

As if that wasn't enough, every time there was a slack period in the game, a Tampa Bay employee rang a loud bell almost in my ear shouting: 'Who did not pick Mauser for the national team —

I was always given a hostile reception on my many visits to Tampa Bay over the

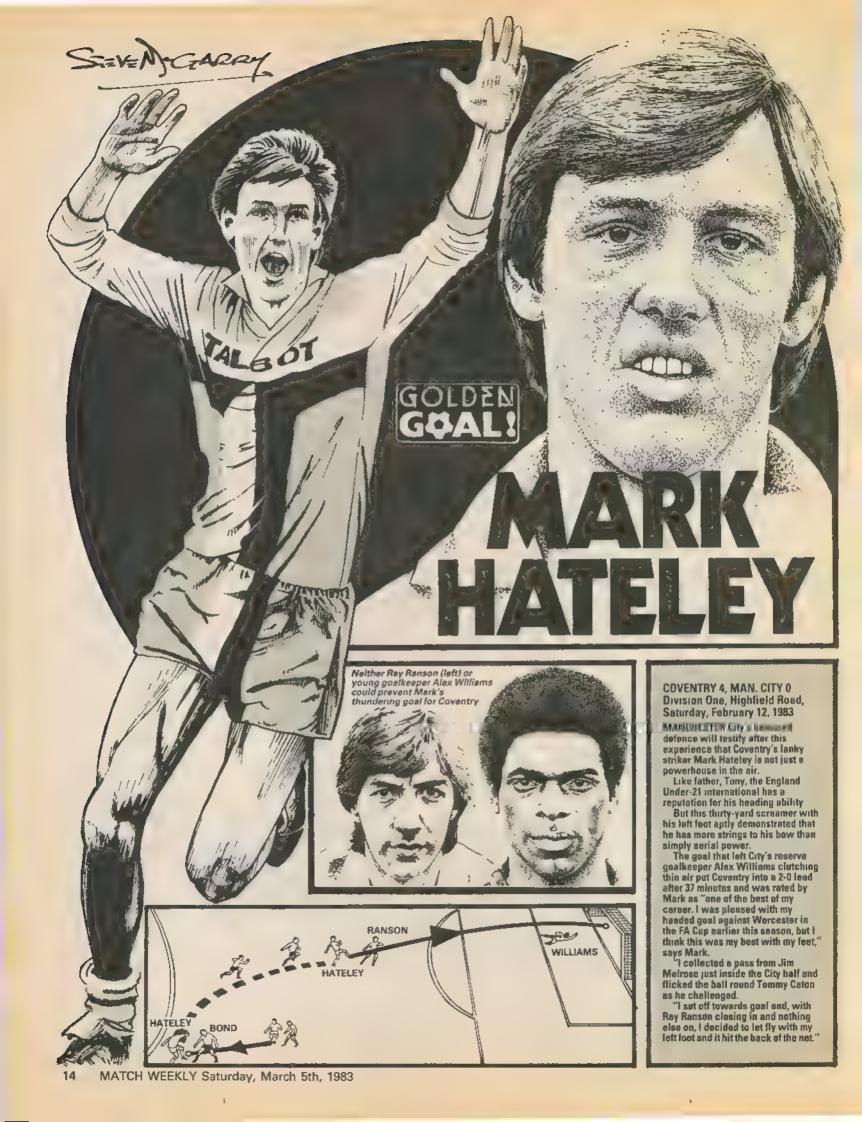
following years.

I did my best not to antagonise them, however. I just smiled and waved. At least they never hung me from the rafters!

NEXT WEEK: Pele is held prisoner... and how the great Brazilian annoyed Rodney Marsh.





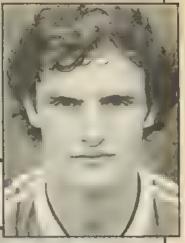




IT'S derby day in Manchester on Saturday with City entertaining CHITTAGE

'Match' brings together two stars who will be in opposition — Kevin

Moran and Kevin Bond — to give you an early taste of the fabulous atmosphere that's sure to be generated at Maine Road. And it's Kevin Moran that kicks off.



KEVIN BOND

MORAN: The derby at Maine Road is City's last chance of salvaging something from a disappointing season. Other than an outside chance of qualifying for a place in Europe, there's little left for you to

play for. BOND: That may be so, Kevin, but I believe there will be more pressure on United to produce the goods. After all, you haven't ruled yourselves out of the title race yet so three points against us are

vitally important.

MORAN: Lesgue form counts for nothing though. Derby games are one-off situations. They are like cup finals. It's who produces the form on the day that matters. BOND: With all the developments at City over the last couple of weeks it's been difficult to concentrate on any one game, but the derby game is one that the city players all look forward to I certainly can't wait for it to kick off. MORAN: I agree. United-City matches are really special, although I believe they mean much more to the fans than they do to the players.

They are the ones who have to put up with the jibes from their work-mates and friends for weeks

after the game. BOND: I've played in a few Norwich-Ipswich derbies and I can tell you the atmosphere is completely different up here. The result is forgotten within hours in East Anglia, while Manchester fans talk about the game for weeks afterwards

to play in a losing City side on derby day and the prospect of being a loser doesn't appeal to me that muchi

Other City players who've suffered the losing feeling tell me that they don't like going out for weeks afterwards. You get a lot of

stick from the fons.

MORAN Playing in a Manchester derby is a great experiment however — even though it can be very nervewracking for the younger players in the side. I can remember my first ever

derby two years ago. It was only my second senior appearance for United and I was really nervous. BOND: My first was at Maine Road last season when we drew 0-0, but the most memorable was this term's encounter at Old Trafford

It was the best game I've ever played in. We drew 2-2 in a cracking encounter which was a great advertisement for football. MORAN: Yes, I'd love to see another game like that. The fans certainly went home happy after the Old Trafford game. We won't be underestimating

the current City side. Although confidence seems to be at a low ebb and you are struggling to put your game together, I've seen enough good performances from you this season to know what you are capable of.

One week you can really turn it on with something special and the next week you won't look the strong enough squad. There's not

enough pressure on the players. They know that there's little chance of being dropped after a poor performance and that breeds complacency. It's not a good foundation for a team MORAN: We're very lucky at United because if any of our first team players are injured or suffer from a loss of form, we have experienced players who can take over and do an equally good job. City just don't have that

strength in depth and that's why you haven't done that well this

season

BOND. I've always been an admirer of the United side and one person I'm sure we'll have to keep a keen eye on is your fellow Eire international Frank Stapleton. After a very indifferent start to his career at Old Trafford, Frank

has suddenly come good and is spearheading United's glory challenge.

At one stage it looked as though his place in the side was threatened, but he's shown his character by coming through the barrier and forging a great partnership with Norman Whiteside

KEVIN MORAN

MORAN: In the City side I've been impressed by England hopeful Tommy Caton. He's having a great season despite City's problems.

Striker Kevin Reeves always seems to have a good derby game, even though he's often left up front as the lone ranger. BOND: A victory over United would be a great boost for the City

players, but I don t think anything will make up for the

disappointment of going out of the FA Cup 4-0 at Brighton.

We had such high hopes in the competition and all the players knew how vitally important it was for City to have a good Cup run. I've never been so devastated in all my life as I was when the final whistle went at The Goldstone Ground

It was the worst feeling I've ever experienced in football. All the players were determined to do well and yet we had an awful

MORAN: That's another reason why defeat for United wouldn't be that bad. So far we've had a good season and we can still keep our fans happy by winning a trophy of some kind.

See you on Saturday!

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DERBY DAY MEETINGS OVER

LAST TEN SEASONS

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UNITED 2 (Stapleton 2), CITY 2 (Cross, Tueart)

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THIS is the 106th derby clash between the clubs in the Football League and the record stands at:

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THE biggest derby win was achieved by City on January 23, 1926 with a 6-1 win at Old Trafford. The biggest wins since the war are 5-0 by City at Old Trafford on February 12, 1955 and 5-1 by United at Old Trafford on December 3, 1960.

'Match' columnist Steve Coppell has scored more derby goals than any other current player on the two sides.

He has five to his credit with Kevin Rees and Frank Stapleton on two apiece. Dennis Tueart also has two in League games, plus another two in the League Cup.



Steve Coppell — top of the scoring charts.



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Look at the picture (below) which shows Manchester City defender Kevin Bond in action against Norwich striker Keith Bertschin.

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funny that Kevin might be saying to Keith as the Norwich striker challenges.

The writer of the funniest caption will win the camera, and the next ten best entries will collect the T-shirts.

Write your caption on the entry form, along with your name, address and chest size (small, medium or large) in case you are one of the ten runners-up, then send it off to:

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Entries must reach us by Friday, March 11, and the results will be announced in our March 26 issue.



WHO AND WHERE

IMAGINE you are a football reporter and that your editor wants you to attend five FA Cup second replays on neutral grounds in one week.

But the only information you have is the day, the ground, and the nicknames of the two teams. From the facts below tell us who is playing and where.

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SOLUTIONS

ENGLAND'S EXILES: 1— Sampdoria (Italy), 2 Heal Medrid (Spain): 3 AC Milan (Italy), 4 Real Beils (Spain): 5 Sampdoria (Italy)

MODOLE TIME: Ipswich's Terry Butcher

Millwell v Luton: Friday — Shrewsbury: York v Rewpon Crystal Pelace: Chester v Fulham; Thursday — Portsmouth Wesday — Darlington: Hull v Huddersfleid: Wednesday Wesday Pelace: Friday — Shrewsbury: Wednesday

MUDDLE TIME

UNRAVEL this muddle of letters to find the name of an international defender in the First Division.

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ENGLAND'S

Do you know which teams the following English League exiles now play for? 1 Trevor Francis 2 Laurie Cunningham

- 3 Joe Jordan
- **4 Peter Barnes** 5 Liam Brady

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The emblems belong to the four clubs backed by Le Coq Sportif — European Champions Aston Villa, FA Cup holders Tottenham, Sunderland and Chelses.

It's simply a matter of putting them in the right order and answering the questions.

Write your answers on the entry form, along with your

name, address, chest and boot size, and the club of your choice from the four named above.

Entries close on Friday, March 11 and the results will be announced in our March 26 issue.

Good luck!

You can win a replica of this smart Tottenham kit worn here by their midfield star Mike Hazard.



Can you trace the Third Division teams listed below in the letter maze (above)? They may read vertically, horizontally or diagonally.

To give you a start we've marked one team—Wigan. The other teams hidden are: Southend, Orient, Bristol Rov., Cardiff, Walsall, Huddersfield, Newport, Exeter, Doncaster, Wrexham, Portsmouth, Plymouth, Reading, Brentford, Lincoln, Oxford and Preston.

Can you also say which teams are missing from our Third Division line-up?

The solution can be found on Page 35 of this week's

CAN you identify our tennis playing mystery personality from the picture below? He plays for a top team in the North West.

The answer to last week's 'Masked Man' competition was Wolves defender Alan Dodd.



1a Whose club emblem is this? 1b Where do they play?



2a Whose club emblem is this? 2b Who is their manager?

3a Whose club emblem is this? 3b Who is their captain?



4a Whose club emblem is this? 4b What division are they in?

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WELCOME to Vale Park! Port Vale manager John McGrath (inset) with a group of local schoolchildren. The club open their

doors during school holidays - inviting youngsters to have look behind the scenes and even train with the players

DEFENDER Phil Sprosen is following a proud tradition at Vale Park.
The Hully rate I control half followed in the footsteps of both his father Jess and uncle Roy by becoming a Port Vale player.
In fact, Rey Sprosen is perhaps the most famous player ever to wear a Vale jersey. He set a club record of 760 League appearances for the club during a career which spanned 22 years.

Watching most of the games from the terraces at Port Vale was young Phil, who says: "It was always my embition to emulate my father and

down a chance of joining Stoke so that I could come here.

I was Pert Vale mad. Every Christmas my parents used to buy methe club kit. Roy gave me this shirt; ance and I remember wearing it to go to school," says Phil, who's rated as



Phil Sproson — standing on the terraces from where he once watched his father play

one of the top defeaders in the Fourth

Division."
"My lether made just over 100 appearances for the club, but his career was cut short because of eartilage trouble."
And it was with that injury in mind that Jess sure his sen had a trade behind him before tackling the uncertainty of professional feotball.

My wood in the long are served two years apprenticeship as an electrician, I didn't like that at all but my and i've got something to fall back on."

WHY THE

PORT Vale manager John McGrath, heavily criticised for selling star winger Mark Chamberlain to Stoke in the close season, declares: "We're better off without him."

Since letting their biggest asset go, Vale have surged to the top of the table and John says: "The lad had such a reputation that he'd have been buried in the Fourth Division this season.

'Last term, 15 full-backs were booked for fouls against him and it would have been even worse this time round. Mark would have been no good to me with one leg. "I got unmerciful criticism for letting him

go, but his sale secured the club's future for the next three years. We're now better off financially than we have been for ages.

Mark, who has taken the First Division by storm and won England recognition since his move to the Victoria Ground, left Vale in a £180,000 deal which also took highly-rated goalkeeper Mark Harrison to Stoke.

But says his former boss: "The reaction from the fans was a disgrace. I was threatened and nearly attacked for letting him

go.
"It's funny how attitudes change, however.
Now the fans at Vale Park sing "Who needs
Mark Chamberlain."

The reason for the new chant is the form of

PORT VALE'S longest serving player and skipper, full-back Russell Bromage, is convinced that the club are heading for promotion to the Third Division.

The 23-year-old says: "Our success this season hasn't surprised me. I knew we'd do well because we've got a very strong squad here.



Russell Bromage.

"We've got a team that can play football when conditions dictate and a team that can battle when a fight is called for. This season we've been strengthened by a few signings and all the newcomers have played their part.
"Former Sunderland goalkeeper

Barry Siddali has added experience and confidence to the back four and Bob Newton is a proven goalscorer.

The balance is just right now," says Russell, who was born in nearby Blurton and joined Port

Vale straight from school. Striker Bob Newton has been among the goals this season and has formed a dangerous partnership with the much-travelled and experienced

Ernie Moss. He says: "I turned down offers from Cardiff, Portsmouth and Millwall to come here because I was so impressed with the set-up. The club is geared for success."
Bob joined 'The Valiants' from

Hartlepool in the close season and he declares: "We are the best team in the Fourth Division."

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PORT VALE FC, VALE PARK, **BURSLEM, STOKE-ON-TRENT** SCORING a goal for Port Vale means as much to Jimmy Greenhoff as hitting

a Wembley winner, Jimmy, scorer of Manchester Umted's winning goel against Liverpool in the 1977 FA Cup Final says: "I get the same feeling of excitement whenever I score.

"The fact that I'm playing in the Fourth Division in front of just 2,000 fans doesn't bother me. I love my football and I'm enjoying myself at Vale Park."

The 36-year-old veteran, who has also played for Stoke and Leeds, has been hampered by a hamstring injury this season as Vale have set the pace at the top of the Fourth Division.

'Vale's success hasn't surprised me. I saw signs last season that we were developing into a good side.

Port Vale are ambitious for success this season and I see no reason why they can't get promotion

and do well in the Third Division"

Jimmy joined Vale at the beginning of last season after a spell in North America with Toronto Blizzard He says: "I was meant to stay out there for two years, but I returned home after just one.

"I just wasn't getting enough time with my wife and family. During my spell there I was only with them for about six weeks.

'I've lived in the Stoke area for 14 years and had always been welcomed by the Port Vale club whenever I watched matches here. So I was only too pleased to sign."

PORT VALE FANS SING



Former Vale star Mark Chamberlain, now with

replacement winger Steve Fox — a free transfer signing from Wrexham. John says: "He's brought a better balance to the team.

'Steve should never be playing in the Fourth Division. He's the sort of player who can win a game with a piece of brilliance. And he does something special every week whereas Mark tends to do it once every three matches."

Former Birmingham star Steve — known as 'Wolfie' to his team-mates — joined Wrexham for £90,000 in December 1979 and made 142 League appearances for the Welsh club before

It was difficult for Steve at the start because he plays a completely different game

to Mark and it took the other players some time to understand his game," says John.
"Whereas Mark used to cross the ball early, Steve won't let it go until he's run out of defenders to beat. If there's a pair of socks in front of him he'll try and go round them."

Since taking over as manager in December 1979, John, a former first team defender and youth team coach at Southampton, has spent just £40,000 on rebuilding the Vale side —

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LEAGUE RECORD IN THE PAST TEN SEASONS

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75-78	3	12th	Cullerton, 17	4,133
76-77	3	19th	Beamish, 12	4,356
77-78	3	21st	Beamish, 13	3,946
78-79		16th	Wright, 14	3,287
79-80	10	20th	Chambertain N., 11	3,462
80-81	N.	19th	Chamberlain M & N., 9	2,738
81 82	K	7th	Moss, 13	3,638

LEAGUE RECORD: 1892-96 Original Members of Division Two; 1896 Failed re-election, 1898 Re-elected; 1907 Resigned; 1919 — Returned in October and took over fixtures of Leeds City; 1929-30 Division Three (North); 1930 36 Division Two; 1936-38 Division Three (North); 1938-52 Division Three (North); 1938-52 Division Three (South), 1952-54 Division Three (North); 1954-57 Division Two; 1957-58 Division Three (South); 1958-59 Division Four; 1959-65 Division Three; 1965-70 Division Four; 1970-78 Division Three; 1978- Division Four.

HONOURS: Division Three (North) Champions 1929-30, 1953-54, runners-up, 1952-53; Division Four Champions, 1958-59; FA Cup Semi-Finalists, 1954. £15,000 of that going on striker Bob Newton from Hartlepool.

"I've made five signings this season and none of them would have been possible if I hadn't sold Mark to Stoke

"Mark's progress hasn't really surprised me. I knew he'd do well in the First Division.

He's a class player. "I still see quite a lot of him, too. He and his brother Neville often pop into Vale Park for a chat. I joke with the fans that we haven't really sold him to Stoke. We've just loaned him. I'm convinced he'll return to Port Vale.

'We still have a lot of quality players here. If I got a manager's job with a First Division club, there are four Vale players I'd like to take with me."

The most famous name in the squad is former Manchester United and Leeds star Jimmy Greenhoff and John says: "People said I was mad to bring a player of his quality down to the Fourth Division.

"But Jimmy's contribution isn't only restricted to a Saturday afternoon. He's a good influence on the rest of the players.

Training is much better for him being here.
"Jimmy has been out for a couple of weeks with a hamstring injury and we missed him at first. Players like fellow midfielder Geoff Hunter struggled without him." John also rates his defender and skipper

Russell Bromage as one of the best left-backs in the country. "Much of the credit for that must go to Jimmy. Russell had learned a lot from playing with him "

Vale are currently riding high at the top of the Fourth Division and John admits: "Things are much different now to the time I first joined the club.

"Quite frankly, Vale were in a mess. The place was filthy, there was no discipline and the club were in the bottom four of the Fourth

"The players weren't good enough to play professional football. I got rid of £139,000 worth of players — 19 in 18 months — and not one went to a full-time club. That shows how

bad they were. The place was so dead that the first thing I did when I took control was to buy a radio. I just wanted to liven the club up!"

In the last year, John has established a completely new-look team and he says: "I've tried to get players with character.

"If you've got that, you're halfway there. There have been games this season when we've pulled ourselves back from the brink of defeat through sheer determination and

effort.
"It hasn't been a rush job. I've gone about the rebuilding process gradually. I'll never forget what my former Southampton chairman Eric Reader used to say. His

favourite quote was 'Make hay slowly.'
"Overnight successes tend to be a flash in the pan. I'm trying to lay my foundations on

Port Vale have one of the biggest grounds in the country and John says: "We are geared for success. If we were to go straight into the

First Division tomorrow, all we'd have to buy

is a couple of pots of paint.
"But it isn't bricks and mortar that brings you success. It's what's inside the club that matters and our attitude is just right.

'There are too many clubs in the League who are paupers now because they've built

big stands. That's not the case here.
"We're a bigger club than Manchester City
at the moment. At least we can afford to go
out and buy new players!"

Port Vale's success at the top of the table has taken much of the limelight away from their rivals Stoke and John adds: "It's great to be in the spotlight.

"The public want to know you. The players and I have been inundated with requests for

personal appearances this season. I've had to limit them to just two a week."

John has earned himself quite a reputation as an after dinner speaker and offers are coming in thick and fast. "People want me now. I've had requests from as far afield as Blackpool, Hull and Huddersfield It's because the team are doing so well.

'I'm thoroughly enjoying the job at Port Vale now. It's great to see two years work

finally blossoming."
Unlike his hard man reputation on the field,
John has developed a different attitude since
he became a manager.

He enjoys nothing more than having a laugh and a joke with his players. He says There's no way I'll miss a cup of tea with the lads after training.

"It's the best time of the day for me. I love the banter and atmosphere in the dressing

John admits that his pre-match tactic talks have often finished up in hysterics, but he says: "I don't mind at all. It takes the pressure off the players."

The ambitious manager is aiming high and he isn't scared of going up to the Third Division. "A lot of clubs are frightened of

going up. They just couldn't afford it.
"I believe we've got a squad of players here
who could do well in the higher sphere. My big job is to try and make sure they all stay

together."
Port Vale aren't just successful on the field. The far-sighted club go out of their way to meet the fans and get involved in the local

During the school holidays, the club open their doors to children and hold a series of open days where the youngsters can come and have a look behind the scenes and even

train with the players.

Vale also run a special scheme where the city's unemployed can gain half-price admission to matches. "It's something we've been doing for a couple of years but other

clubs are just cottoning on "Just before Christmas, I had a telephone call from the local hospital. They wanted some of the players to go down and put up the decorations. I'm sure it's the last thing Manchester Royal Infirmary would ask Ron Atkinson!







THIS was the night Phill Neal buried a nightmare and ended England's dismal run against Wales at Wembley

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Above: Defender Phil Neal — he hit England's penalty winner just three days after missing a vital spot-kick in Liverpool's FA Cup defeat by Brighton. - --

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All I wanted to do was
take the ball off Alan
Devonshire as quickly as
could and get on with it." he recalls: When I missed the

When I missed the penalty against Brighton there had been a three-minute delay while the referee booked Tony. Greatsh — Tilling a want the same wait again.

This time there was no delay, and no mistake, Phillient keeper Neville Southall the wrong way to put.

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concerned. In fact, it was through Gordon's tireless work that England eventually won the game, but he admits the few sloppy passed or the the me down, but on the whole tweety pleased

THE Highbury House of Horror Show will haunt us until we

It was a night we shamefully threw away our Wembley dreams in the Milk Cup, with the worst performance I can remember from an Arsenal side on such an important occasion.

There we were, just two games from Wembley and we literally handed Manchester United a ticket into the Final with an inexplicably tame and timid display on a difficult surface.

That 4-2 defeat left us with realistically little more than pride to play for in the second leg at Old

I believe we erased that first leg memory to a certain degree with a battling and spirited performance that deserved more than a 2-1 defeat, but the damage had already been done a week earlier.

It was a cruel experience, sitting in the Old Trafford dressing rooms hearing the joyous United fans chanting: 'We're going to Wembley. You're not.' We still couldn't believe that,

after battling and fighting so well in that emotion-charged arena, we had produced such a dismal display in the home leg of a Semi-Final we were confident of winning.

Our attitude just wasn't right at Highbury. We failed to match United's running, aggression and determination in the treacherous conditions

it's hard to admit, but I feel they had a far greater will to win than us on the night.

Before we knew what had happened, we were four goals down and on the way out of the competition.

I suppose we showed some character to pull back two goals in the closing minutes, but had it not been for the brilliance of Pat Jennings, the picture would have been much blacker.

The injury to skipper David O'Leary in the first half didn't help our cause. We certainly missed his aerial dominance in the centre, but United were well in the driving seat by then

l just couldn't believe we were 4-0 down at home to a side we had held to a goalless draw at Old Trafford earlier in the season.

We just couldn't get going while United always looked dangerous with Bryan Robson driving forward from midfield and strikers Frank Stapleton and Norman Whiteside posing all kinds of

It may have seemed a lost cause



for us in the return leg, but I felt we had a fleeting chance if we could grab an early goal. That would have put United under intense pressure, having been 4-0 up at one stage in the tie with one foot inside Wembley Stadium. But, while our approach and spirit deserved a goal in the first half, we couldn't get it. At least we recovered some of our lost pride which was important for us as professionals. It might have been different had a Chris Whyte header not come back from an upright before Steve Coppell put United in front midway through the second half. I think it was a travesty of justice that we went down to a late slightly fortunate goal from Kevin

Stewart Robson — his outstanding partnership with Chris Whyte was the only encouraging aspect to emerge from the tie.

Moran in the dying minutes because our display deserved at least a draw

We had rolled up our sleeves and fought to show the United fans that we are not as bad a side as the previous week's performance indicated.

The lads were extremely hurt about that Highbury disaster and disappointed at letting our fans down so badly.

The only encouraging aspect to emerge from the tie was the outstanding performances of young central defenders Chris Whyte and Stewart Robson in the second leg.

They were tremendous at the heart of the defence in a pressure-filled Old Trafford, and that augurs well for the future.

After that Highbury humiliation by United, we picked ourselves up to return from a tough-looking FA Cup tie at Middlesbrough with a

It was so important for us to get

a result at Ayresome Park and in the end we were unlucky not to come back with a win.

The Milk Cup Final has all the makings of a classic with the two giants of the First Division at each other's throats

Without wanting it to sound like sour grapes, I fancy Liverpool to land the trophy for the third successive year.

They are a classy side and, on the Wembley surface, their passing ability may tell.

I don't think they will prove as inexperienced as ourselves by allowing United to take the game by the scruff of the neck

United's Steve Coppell has the pace and eye for a goal to be a match winner on the day, but it's important for United to get skipper Bryan Robson fit

I thought the worst when he was carried off at Old Trafford, but from everyone's point of view I'm glad it wasn't as serious as first feared

See you in a fortnight . . .

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 Graham Rix was talking to Melvyn Beck.

The Arsenal midfield ace reflects on the Milk Cup dream that: turned sour.

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Sunday, Feb. 20 FA Cup, Fifth Round

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Referee: E. A. Crickmore (Plymouth)
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SCOTTISH **Premier Division**

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SCOTTISH Scottish Cup. Fourth Round Replay

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Saturday, Feb. 26 **Division One**

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Referee M J Heath (Stoke)

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Reference: J. Moules (Ongar) Match Rating: **

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Referee M Bodenham (Brighton)

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McQueen 7. Wilkins 7. Muhren 6. Stepleton
6. Whiteside 6. Coppell 7. Liverpool #GROBBELAAR 8, Neal 6 Kennedy & Thompson 6. Whe an 6 Lawrenson 6 Dalglish 6. Lee 7, Rush 7 Johnston 7 Souriess 6 Referee: K. A. Redfern (Whitey Bay) Match Rating 本本本本

NOTTS COUNTY (2) 5 (Fashanu 11, 75 Laht nen 42 McCu loch 58 Hooks 77) COVENTRY (0) 1 (Gillespie 79)

Att 8689 Notta County Leonard 7 Goodwin 6 Worthington 7, Hunt 7 Labitinen 7 (sub McParland 7), Richards 7 Chiedozie 7 *FASHANU 8 McCulloch 7 O Brien 7 Hooks 7

Coventry Sealey 6 Thomas 6 Roberts 6 Butterworth 6, Dyson 6, Gillespie 6 Whitt 6 (sub Thompson 6), Francis 6 Hateley 6 Metrose 7 *HUNT 8

Referes: J. D. Hough (Macciestield)
Match Rating ****

SUNDERLAND (0) 3 (Atkins 55, Rowell 65) pon 83) MANCHESTER CITY (0) 2 (Caton 68 Att 15,144 Sunderland: Turner 6 Nichoil 7 Muoro 7 *ATKINS 9, Chisholm 8. Pickering 6 Venison 5 Rowell 8. Worthington 7 James 7

Cummins 7 Man City Corrigan 7, Ranson 7 McDonald 7 Bond 6, May 6, #CATON 8, Tueart 7 Reeves 6. Baker 6, Hartford 7 Bodak 6

Referee J Key (Rotherham)
Match Rating ***
Sending Off Bodak (Man City)

TOTTENHAM (0) 0 NORWICH (0) 0 Att 23.342

Spurs: Clemence 7 *HUGHTON 8, Lacy 7 rice 6 Hazard 5 (sub. Roberts 6). Perryman Gelv n 6. Mabbutt 5. Gibson 6. Vilta 7 Crooks 6

Norwich, Woods 7, Haytock 6, *HAREIDE 8, Mendham 5, Walford 6 Watson 7 Barham 7, Van Wyk 6 Deehan 6 Bertachin 7 Downs

Referee: E. A. Read (Bristol) Match Rating, **

WATFORD (1) 2 (Blassett 7 Rostron 89) ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Wallers 19) Att 19,318 Wattord Sherwood 7 Rice 7, Rostron 7, Taylor 6, S.ms 7, Bolton 6, Callaghan 8, *BLISSETT 9, Barnes 8, Jackett 8, Jobson

Aston Villa *SPINK 9, Williams 7, Gibson 7, Evans 7, McNaught 8, Mortimer 8, Blair 7, Shaw 7, Walters 8, Cowans 7, Mortey 8 Referee M 4, James (Horsham) Match Rating: ****

WEST BROM (D) O ARSENAL (D) O Arr 13 923 West Brom Barron 6. Bennett 6 (sub Whitehead 6). Stathern 6. Zondervan 6. *WILE 7, Robertson 6 Jol 5, Cross 5 Thompson 5, Owen 5 Eastoe 5
Arwener Jennings 6, Kay 7 Sensom 6
Robson 7, Whyte 7 Nicholas 6, Devine 7 Day \$ 6, Mead 5, #WOODCDCK B, Rix 6

(sub Talbot 6) Referee: N Wilson (Morecambe) Match Rating: *



RICHARD Crossland of Brighton, has won himself a super Ricoh camera in our February 12 caption

writing competition
His winning entry was "This is a football match matel Not the European Figure Sketing

Championship"
The runners-up were: R. J. Snow, Lelcester; Robin Searles, Witham, Essex; David Peters, Cullompton, Devon; K. Foster, St. Leonards-on-Sea, East Sussex; Mark Jones, Sunderland, Stephen Connell, Leeds; Adrian Freemantle, Peterborough; Darren Oldknow, Swanwick, Derbyshire; Michael Bell, Bangor, N. Ireland and David Hayles, Newcastle

WEST HAM (1) 1 (Lampard 45) SOUTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Wallace 16)

Att 19 526
West Ham Parkes 7, Stewart 7 Lampard 7
Bonds 7 Martin 6 Devonshire 7 Van der El
5 *GODDARO 8, Clark 6 (sub-Cottee) Van der Elst

CHFACTSMAI

Aller / Pike / Southampton, Shilton 7 Agboola 5 M. Its 7 Wilhams 7 Nicholl 6 Wright 5 Holmes 6 Baird 6 Moran 7 Armstrong 7 *WALLACE

Referee L. M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield) Match Rating: ***

Division Two

BARNSLEY (0) 2 (Burch 51, Parker 86) BARNSLEY (b) 2 (Birch 5) Parker do: ROTHERHAM (b) 1 (Moore 60) Att 13 941 Barnsley Pierce 7, Joyce 7, Chembers 7 Glavin 6, Banks 6, McCarthy 7, Law 6, Parker 7 *RONSON 8, Moores 6 (sub Campbell).

Rotherham. Mimms 6 Forrest 6, Friar 7, McEwan 6, Hughes 6, Green 6, Towner 7 Gow 7, *MOORE 8, Walker 7 McGride 7 Referoe: A. Seville (Birmingham) Match Rating 本本本

80LTON (2) 3 (Deakin 14, Hoggan 28, 85) MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 1 (Otto 54) Att 5 598

Att 5 558
Balton McDonagh 7 Whitworth 7, Deakin 8,
Redfern B. *JONES 9, Doyle 7, Chandler 6
Rudge 6, Foster 6, Hanry 7, Hoggan 8
Middlesbrough 0 Hanton 5, Mawbray 6, Bolton 6 (sub. Hamilton 6). Baxter 6. Nattrass 8, Wood 7 *OTTO 8, Kennedy 6, Sugrue 8. Currie 6 Bel 6 Referee D Lloyd (Fernhill Heath)

Match Rating #1

BURNLEY (2) 7 (Taylor 25, 80, 84, Hamilton 27, 77, 89, Steven 87) CHARLTON (1) 1 (Hales 41)

CHARLION (1)11 (Hales 41)
Att 7 (22)
Burnley: Stevenson 6, Lawrs 7, Donachie 7
Phelan 7, Dobson 7 #FLYNN 9, Scott 7
Steven 8, Harrelton 8, Taylor 8, Young 7
Charlton Johns 6, Gritt 5, Aszlewood 6,
McAlinster 6, Etholt 6, Berry 6, #SIMONSEN

MCAIISIER D. EIROT D, BETY D. MYSHADNSE 7, Harris F, Hales S, Bullivant S, Robinson S (sub Smrth S) Referee D Owen (Wirral) Match Rating **** Sendings Off: Hales, Aszlewood (Charlton)

CARLISLE (0) 2 (Bannon 51 Shoulder 61) LEEDS (2) 2 (Connor 18, Butterworth 42) Att 8,419

Att 0,419
Carlisle Swinburne 7, *PARKER 8, Haigh 7, Ashurst 7 Rushbury 6, Houghton 6, Coughlin 7, Craig 6, Hornsby 6 (sub Lee 5), Bannon 7 Shoulder 6, Lees: Lukic 6, Aspin 6, *GRAY, E 8, Chandra B.

Sheridan 7 (sub. Hird 7), Hart 7. Dickinson 6. Thomas 6. Butterworth 7, Connor 7. Gray, F. 7 Graham 7 Referee: A Saunders (Newcastle)

Match Bating: ***

CHELSEA (1) 2 (Walker 31 Rhoades Brown

BLACKBURN (0) 0

Att 6.982 Chelses: Francis 7, Chivers 6, Hutchings 6, Driver 7 Lee 6 Pates 7, Entverso, Putchings 6, Driver 7 Lee 6 Pates 7 &FILLERY 8, Walker 7, Speedie 7 Mayes 6, Rhoades-Brown 7 Blackburn O'Keefe 7, Branagan 6 (sub Bell 6), Rathbone 6, Lowey 7 Mail 6 Fazackerley 5, MILLER 8, Arnott 6, Hamilton 6, Garner 7, Bratherter 8, 9 7 Brotherston 6
Referee: D Letts (Basingstoke)

Match Rating **

DERBY (0) 2 (Moore, K, og 56: Davison 58) GRIMSBY (0) 0 Att. 12,775

Att 12.775
Derby: Cherry 7 Barton 6, Buckley 5,
Gemmill 7, Powell 7, Futcher 7, *BROLLY 6,
Davison 7 Wilson 6, Swindlehurst 6, Mills 7
Grimbay: Batch 8 Moore, D 6, Crombie 6,
*WATERS 7, Cooper 5, Moore K 5, Ford 6
Cumming 6, Drinkell 6, Bonnyman 5, O'Delt

Referee; J. Worrall (Wernington) Match Rating ***

FULHAM (1) 2 (Davies 32, Lock, pen 66) NEWCASTLE (2) 2 (Varadi 2, McDermott 37) Att 14.27 Futham: Payton 6, Hopkins 7, Lock 7
O'Driscoll 6, Brown 6, Gale 8 Davies 8
Wilson 6, Coney 6, *HOUGHTON 9,
Lewington 6

Newcastle: Carr 6, Anderson 6, Wharton 7, Martin 6. Clarke 6, Carney 6, Keegan 7 McDonald 7, ★VARAD18, McDermott 7, Waddle 5

Referee: L. C. Shapter (Forquay)
Match Rating ***

LEICESTER (3) 5 (Lynex 15, 38 Smith 27, Lineker 60, Daly 74) WOLVES (0) 0

Alt 13530 Laucaster Wallington 7, Ramsey 8, Smith B 8 MacDonald 7 May 8 English 7, *LYNEX 9, Lineker 7 Smith, A.8. Daly 8 (sub. Peake).

Wolves Burridge 7 Humphrey 6 Palmer 6 (sub Smith 6). Rudge 5, Pender 6, Dodd 6 Hibbitt 5, Clarke 6, Gray 8, Eves 6, Matthews

Referee: A. W. Ward (London) Match Rating: 本本本本本

OLDHAM (2) 2 (Palmer 31, Wylde 44) CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0 Art 9,780

dham. Goram 8, Sinclair 8, Ryan 7, Keegan *CLEMENTS 8, Hoolickin 6, Wylde 6 Atkinson 6, McDonough 6, Bowden 6, Palmer

7
Crystal Palace Fry 5. Gilbert 5. Murphy 6. Hughton 6. Nebbeling 6, Hinshelwood 6. Edwards 6 (sub. Giles 5), Brookes 6. #JONES 7, Langley 5. Hilaire 5. Referes R. Nixon (West Kirby). Match Rating. ###

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (2) 3 (McCulloch 17 36 Mills 55) CAMBRIDGE (0) 1 (Mayo 70)

Att 12.815 Shelf Wed Bolder 7 Sterland 6 Bailey 7 Smith 6, Lyons 7 Shelton 6, Megson 7, *MILLS 8, Bannister 6, McCulloch 7, Health

Cambridge: Webster 7, Donaldson 6, Murray 6, Turner 7, Fallon 7, Cooke 7, Cartwright 8, Finney 5, Reilly 5, *MAYO 8, Fisher 5 Referee H Taylor (Qadby) Metch Rating: **

SHREWSBURY (0) O Atr 4.397

Att 4.397
Shrewsbury: Ogrizovic 7, Williams 8
Johnson 6, Perts 6 Isub Sankey 6), Turner 7
Leonard 6, Cross 7, MacLaren 7, Robinson 7,
Bares 6, *STEVENS 9
OPA *HUCKER 9, Neill 6, Dawes 6,
Waddock 8, Wicks 7, Ferwick 6, Micklewh re

vadouck o vricks r, retrick b, Micklewn le 7 Seelly 7, Allen 6 (sub Steinrod 6), Flanagan 8, Gregory 7 Referse, R Guy (Kirkby) Match Rating, ★★★

Division Three

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
PORTSMOUTH (1) 2 (Aizlewood, pen 27.

An 13.406
Bournamouth Leigh 7 Heffernan 6, Sulley
7, Spackman 7, Brignulf 6, Impey 7, Dawtry 6,
*BECK 8, Morgan 6, Graham 6, Nightingsle 6 (sub Lee 6)
Portamouth' Knight 7 McLaughlin 7,

Portamoum Knight / McLaughtin 7, Sollinvin 7, *DOYLE 8, Rollings 6 (sub. Bliss 7), Atzlewood 7 Webb 7, Tan 6, Rafferty 6. Biley 7 Rogers 7 Reference C Downey (Hounslow)

Match Rating ***

BRADFORD (0) 1 (Black, pen 60) CHESTERFIELD (0) 0

Alt 4 033
Bradford: Ramsbottom 6, Abbott 7, Chapman 7, Lester 7 Jackson 7, Cherry 7, *McCALL 8, Cooke 7, Campbell 6 (sub Gatlagher), Gray Brack 7

Chesterfield: Turner 7, Bellamy 6, Partridge 7 (sub-frey), Heriston 6, *GREEN 8, O'Neill 7 Plummer 6, Windridge 6, Henderson 6, Kowalski 6 Kendall 7

Referee* A. Robinson (Manchester) Match Rating 東京市

BRENTFORD (0) 1 (Bowles 46) DONCASTER (0) 0

DONCASTER (0) 0
Att 4.413
Brentford *ROCHE 8, Rowe 7 Holmes 6,
McNichol 5, Whitehead 6, Hurlock 5, Kamara 6, Joseph 7, Cassells 6 (sub. Booker 5).
Bowles 7 Roberts 5
Doncaster *RPEACOCK B, Russell 5
Cawthorne 5, Snodin, 16, Humphries 8, Lister 5, Walker 6, Douglas 5 (sub. Leddell), Austrn 5, Mann 7, Robertson 5
Referee: A Gunn (Burgess Hill) Referee; A. Gunn (Burgess Hill) Match Rating: *

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GILLINGHAM (2) 2 (Johnson 1, Lansdowne

CARDIFF (2) 3 (Gibbins 4, Hemmerman 28, pen 78) Att: 4,587

Gillingham Hillyard 7, Sharpe 6, Adams 6, Gillingham Hillyard 7, Sharpe 6, Adams 6, Bruce 7 Sutton 7 *TYDEMAN 8, Johnson 7 Handford 6 (sub. Grewcock 6), Foley 7, Lansdowne 6. Weatherly 6 Cardiff Brown 6 Jones 7, Mullen 7 Tong 7, Dwyer 7, *BENNETT, G 8, Bennett, D 7, G bbins 6 Hatton 6. Hemmerman 7, Lewis 6. Referese: D Reeves (Uxbridge)

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 (Cowling 82) PRESTON (0) 1 (O'Riordan 60) Att: 8,562

Att o,502 Huddersfield, Cox 7, Brown 7, Burke 6, Stanton 6, Sutton 7 Hanvey 6, Lillis 7, Doyle 6, Russell 6, W Ison 6 (sub Pugh 6), *COWLING B

Preston; Litchfield 7, Ferrelly 7 (sub. Kelry 6), McAleer 7: #0'RIORDAN 8, Westwell 7, Lodge 7, Walsh 7 Bruce 7 Elliott 7, Naughton 7 Bell 7

Referee: J. Lovatt (Crewe) Match Rating: **

LINCOLN (1) 1 (Beil, pen 21) PLYMOUTH (0) 2 (Hodges 62 Phillips 80) Att. 3,915

Lincoln, Felgate 5 Simmonite 5 Neale 5. Cockenii 6. Peake 7 Thompson 6, Burke 5 (sub Kelly 5), Turner 5, Hobson 6, Bell 6 *SHIPLEY 8

Plymouth: Crudgington 7, Nisbet 7, Uzzell 6 Harrison 7, Ham 8 Cooper 7 Hodges 7, Cook 6 (sub. Phillips 7), #SIMS 8, McCartney 6,

Rodgers 7 Referee; D. Vickers (liford) Match Rating: ★★★

MILLWALL (3) 5 (Neal 4, 35, 54 Aviott 46 Chatterton 87) EXETER (0) 2 (Neville 68 Harle 85)

Millwell Wells 7, Mertin 8, Stride 7 Madden 7, Roberts 7, Lovell 8, Bramner 7, Massey 7, #NEAL 9 (sub Stevens 6), Aylott 8,

NEAL 3 (aud Stevens 6), Aylott 8, Challerlon 6 Exeter: **BOND 7, Rogers 5, Viney 6 Davies 5, McEwan 5, Harle 6, Pullar 6, Delve 6, Neville 8, Kellow 5 (sub Pratt 5), Gibson 6 Referee: M Dimb aboe (Stevenage) Match Reting, *****

NEWPORT (4) 4 (Lowndes 2, 12, 40) Aldridge 23) ORIENT (0) 1 (Silkman 58) Att 3 202

Alt 3202
Mewport Kendelt 6, Jones 7, Relieh 7, Bailey
5. Oakes 6 (sub. Gwyther), Boyle 6,
*LOWNDES 9, Aldridge 8, Tyrian 7, *LOWNDES 9, Alonge 6, Tyner 7, Vaughen 7, Elsey 6 Orient: Day 8, Roffey 8: Peach 5 (sub. Donn 6). Foster 6, Cunningham 7, Cornwell 6. Gray 6 *GODFREY 8, Houchen 7, Silkman 7

Sussex 6
Referee: K. Baker (Rugby)
Metch Rating: ***

READING (0) 1 (Donnellan 85) SOUTHEND (0) 1 (Netson 55) Att 2 664 Reading: **JUDGE 7, Donnellan 5. Richardson 6, Bosvon 8, Barnes 6, Williams 6, Doherty 5, Earles 5. Price 6, Bason 6, Sanchez 6

Southend Thomas 6, Stead 6 Yates 6, Clark 6 Had ey 6, Cusack 6, Pountney 6, Philips 6, Marcer 6, *OTULAKOWSKI 7, Nelson 6 (sub Pennyfather) Referee: H W King (Merthyr Tydfil) Match Rating: 木木

WALSALL (0) 1 (Summerfield 65) OXFORD (0) 0

Att 3 104
Weisell #GREENS, Caswell 8, Mower 8, Beech 7, Sinnott 8 Hart 7, Rees 7 Shakespeare 6, Summerfield B, Buckley 6 Shakespeare o, Summerried at, Buckley S (sub Kearns S), O'Kelly 8 Oxford, Hardwick 7, Linney 7, Grant 7, Train 7 (sub Thomas), Briggs 8, Shotton 8, Jones 7, Whatmora 8, Vinter 7, *HEBBERD 9, Smithers B Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)

Match Rating: ***

WIGAN (0) 0 Withey 28, 90 Platnauer 50)
Att 3,288

Att 3,235 Wigan: Tunks 6, McMahon 5, Glenn 5, Langley 5 (sub. Houghton 5), Walsh 5 *METHVEN 7, Lowe 6, Barrow S, Butler 8, O Keefe 6, Weston 8

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CHEACTSMAT

Bristol Rovers Kite 6, Slatter 6, Williams, B 8 Pulis 8, Parkin 6, McCaffery 6, *BALL 9, Williams, G 6, Withey 8, Rendell 8, Platnauer B (sub Holloway)

Referee: G Napthine (Loughborough)
Match Rating: ***

WREXHAM (1) 4 (Hunt 37, Stee) 46-48. SHEFFIELD UNITED (1) 1 (Trusson 1)

Att 3 953
Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, King 7, Bater 7,
Savage 8, Dowman 8, Keay 7 Arkwright 7
Buxton 8, Hunt 7, *STEEL 9, Gregory 6
Sheff Utd: Waugh 6, Handerson 6, Garner 7
*BRAZIL 8, West 6, Houston 6, Morris 8
*Trusson 7, Edwards 7 Charles 6, King 6
Referce C Thomas (Porthcawl) Match Rating. **

Division Four

BLACKPOOL (1) 1 (McNiven 41) ROCHDALE (0) 0

Att 2.373 Blackpool Hesford 7 Bardsley 6, Pritchett 6 Deary 7 Hetzke 7, Greenall 6, McNiven 6, Hocksday 6, Stewart 6, Noble 6, *PASHLEY

Approximately Pearce 7 Keenan 7, Snookes 7
AFARRELL 8, McElh nney 7 Taylor 7,
Thompson 7, Greaves (sub Williams 7),
French 7, Hildrich 7, Comstree 8 Referee. N. H. Glover (Chorley) Match Reting: **

BRISTOL CITY (1) 2 (Rifchie, pen 7

HARTLEPOOL (D) D

Att 4,194
Bristol City: Shew 7, Newman 8, Williams 7, Nichalls 6, Philipson Masters 7, Riley 7,
*RTCHIE 8, Economou 6, Cooper 7, Musker

6. Robinson 7, Barker 6, Linghan 6, Lowe 7

*SMITH B, Dobson 7, Lawrence 6, Linacre

Heferee* J. E. Bray (Leicester) Match Rating ★★★

CREWE (1) 3 (Warker pan 43, 60 Walter 87) HEREFORD (0) 1 (Phillips 88)

Att 2.751
Crewer Smith 6, Brady 7, Bowers 7, Edwards 7, Scott 6, Hart 6, Craven 5, Bancroft 6, Walter 7, *WALKER 6, Cliss 7
Hersford Rose 6, Price 7, Bartley 6, Hicks 5, *PEJIC 8, Ross 6, Harvey 5, Lane 5, Phillips 7, Showers 6, Spiring 5 (sub. White 7) Referee: F Roberts (Prestatyn) Metch Rating: 本本本

MATCH WEEKLY/ SUBBUTEO **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

FORMER Manchester United and England hero Bobby Charlton was among the spectators at the latest Match Weekly/Subbuteo National

Weekly/Subbuteo National
Championship qualifier
And the World Cup winner saw 13year-old Marchester boy Darrell
Dunscombe become the North West
Regional champ at the NSS Newsagents
in the Arndale Centre, Manchester
Darrell became the Junior winner by
beating Raiph Cornick in a thrilling Final
The Senior winner was Pat Clarke, who
beat Staven Worthington
All four finalists qualify for the Match
Weekly/Subbuteo National Finals which
are being held at Wambley on Bunday
May 1

May 1
Others in the Junior section were. John Howarth Henrique Stewart, Nicky Tofalos Simon Hill, Gavin Thurston Jeson Kirby, Carlo Coxon Ding Tofalos, Paul Neville Dominic Greene, Nicky Williams Edward Ross, Chris Crook end

Jason Bailey
The Senior contestants were Chris Tofalos, Robert Forbes, John Donscombe, Paul Beistow and Jan

Extra-time had to be played in the Junior Section of the West of Scotland Regional Final and it took a penalty shoot out to decide the winner. In the end 14-year-old William Cumming of Airdne beat his elder Bobby Goldie (18) of Carnbroe. In the Senior Section John McGiffen, also of Airdne was sever in any trouble on the Senior Section John McGiffen.

also of Ardrie, was never in any trouble un the Final and he easily best East Kilbride's Graham Scott 6-1 All four contestants go through to the Scottish National Final, being played at Hampden Park on Sunday, April 10,

DARLINGTON (0) 1 (McLean, pen 72) COLCHESTER (2) 3 (McDonough 8, Addock Att 1.089

Darlington Cuff 7, Honour 5 (sub. Wicks 6) Wilson 6, Smith 7 Barton 6, Kamara 7 Gilbert 5, McLean 6, Todd 7, *WALSH 8. McFadden 5

McOonough 7, Wignell 7, Coleman 6
Attenson 7 Osborne 6 Linford 7 *ADCOCK B. Hull 6

Referee: A Challinor (Rotherham) Match Reting: 未未本

HULL (0) 1 (Marwood 84) SCUNTHORPE (1) 1 (Leman 33)

Att 14 252 Hull Norman 7, McNeil 5, Askew 7, Roberts O 6 *SKIPPER 8, Booth 5 Marwood 5 McClaren 6 Whitehurst 5 (sub Davis), Motrie

7 Roberts G 6 Scunthorpe: Neenan 7, Kesley 6, Pointon 6. Reid 6 Baines 7, *HUNTER 8, O'Berg 7 Cammack 6 Cowling 7 Parkinson 6, Leman

Referee: N. J. Ashley (Nantwich) Match Rating ***

MANSFIELD (0) 2 (Matthews 53 CHESTER (1) 1 (Thomas 41)

Att 1.803 Manafield Arnold 6, Blackhall 5 Kennedy 5 *MATTHEWS 8, Ayre 6 Calderwood 7 Woodhead 5, Hutchinson 6, Dungworth 5 (sub: Sell), Caldwell 6, Nicholson 5 Chester Harrington 6 Needham 5, Lane 5, Bradley 6, Moffat 6 Bulmer 5, #SLOAN 8 Simpson 6, Thomas 8, Blackwell 7 Ludlam 5 Reference E. J. Scales (Ware) Match Rating ***

NORTHAMPTON (1) 2 (Saliby 4 Massey 82) TOROUAY (0) 0 Att 1,817

Northampton, Kendelf 6, Tucker 7, Phillips 6, Gage 5, Burrows 7, Coffelf 7, Denyer 5 (sub Buchanan 6), Saxby 8, Saunders 6, Syrett 7 *MASSEY 8

*MASSEY 8
Torquay Horn 7, Doyle 6, Wilson 7, Sheridan
6, D'Donnell 6, Young 6, Little 8, Carter 6
Cooper 6 (sub-Ga*lagher 6), *ANDERSON 9, Bishop 5 Referee M P Scott (West Bridgeford)

Match Rating ***

PETERBOROUGH (1) 3 (Clarke 15. Ippolito Gynn 811 TRANMERE (0) 0

Att 2,045 Peterborough Naylor 8. Winters 6 Collins 6. Gynn 7, Firm 6, Sleck 6, *CLARKE 8, Rodaway 6, Chard 6 (sub. Linton), Benjamin 6 lopokto 7

d lippolito / franceres: ★ENDERSBY 8, Burgess 6 Wilhams, G 6, Oliver 5, Warriner 5 (sub Ferguson 5), Wilhams, J 8, Powell 6, Aspinall 5, We lings 5, Brown 7, Griffiths 6 Referee K Salmon (Bernet) Match Rating ★★

PORT VALE (0) 2 (Sproson 47 Hunter 65) HALIFAX (1) 1 (Spooner 40)

Att 5.163 Port Vale Southall 6, Tartt 6, Bromage 7 *HUNTER 9, Sproson 7, Cegrelski 7, Fox 8. Lawrence 8 Ridley 8, Newton 7, Armstrong

Halifax ★SMELT 9, Nobbs 6 Wood 7 (sub Goodman 6) Evans 6. Smith 8. Hendrie 6. Ward 6 Spooner 7 Allatt 7, Nuttall 7 Staniforth B

Referee, K Watmsley (Blackpool) Match Reting ★★★★

STOCKPORT (0) 2 (Quinn 51, 89) ALDERSHOT (1) 1 (Banton 20)

Att 1.853 Stockport: Lloyd 6, Rutter 8 Sherlock 7 Emerson 5, Sword 6, Thorpe 7 Wardrobe 7 Phillips 5 (sub Leigh ?), *QUINN 9, Power

Aldershot: Johnson 7, Andruszewski 7, Scott 7, Britey 6, Wooler 7, Jophing 7, Shrubb 6, #8ANTON 8, Goddard 6, McDonald 6.

Referee: K Hackett (Sheffield) Match Rating 本本本本

SWINDON (1) 1 (Pritchard 10) BURY (1) 1 (Johnson 18) Att 4 692 Swindon: Allan 6 Bayerstock 7 Barbe 7 Emmanuel 6, Lewis 6 Graham 7 Protchard 7 Batty 7, *RIDEOUT9, Rowlands B Barnard

Bury- Brown 7 Gerdner 7, Breckin 7 Gore 6 *BRAMHALL 8, Harndey 7, Firth 6, Madden 7, Johnson 7 Jakub 6, McHale 5 Referes: A, J. Hamil (Wolverhampton) Match Rating: ***

WIMBLEDON (2) 4 (Evans 6, 16, Leslie 68

Barnett 801 YORK (0) 3 (Smith M, og 57, Walwyn 72. Hay 89) Art 2 168

Wimbledon, Beasant 7 Paters 7 Sparrow 6 Galliers 7 Smith 6, Hatter 7, *EVANS 8 Ketteridge 7 Leslie 7 (sub. Fishenden)

York: Jones 6, Evans 5, Hay 6, Sbragia 6
Smith 6, Hood 7, Ford 6, Crosby 7

★WALWYN 8, Byrne 7, MacPhail 6 (sub

Pollard 61 Referse: E. A. Crickmore (Plymouth) Match Rating: 木木木 Sending Off Jones (York)

SCOTTISH Premier Division

ABERDEEN (0) 3 (Weir 62 Black 85 Bell 89) DUNDEE (1) 1 (Stephen 8) Att 12 000 Att 12 000
Aberdeen Leighton 7 Kennedy 7, Rougvie 5
(sub Cooper 6), McMaster 7 McLeish 7,
Miller 7 Black 7, Watson 5 (sub *SIMPSON
8), McGhee 7 Bell 7 Weir 7
Dundee Kelly 7 McGeachie 6 McKimmie 7,
*FRASER 8, Smith 7 MacDonald 7

本FHASEN 8, Smith 7 MacDonald 7 Ferguson 6, Scrimgeour 6 (sub Beil), Kidd 5 (sub Glennie), Mackie 6, Stephen 7 Referee D Syme (Glasgow) Match Rating 東京市

CELTIC (1) 4 (Nicholas, pan 24, McGarvey KILMARNOCK (0) 0

Att 10.691 All 10.691
Celtre: Bonner 7 McGrain 8, Sinclair 5
Ailken 7 McAdam 7 Sullivan 7 Provan 8
(sub: McInally), *McSTAY 9, Nicholas 7 (aub McInally), #MGSTAY 9, Nicholas 7 (sub McCluskey 7), MacLeed 7 McGarway 7 Kilmarnock, McCulloch 6, Cockburn 6, Clark, 8.5, #CLARK, J7, McDicken 6, Clarke, P.5 McGivern 4(sub McClurg), MacLed 5, Galingher 6, Simpson 5, Bourke 4 Referse: A. Hewitt (Edinburgh) Match Rating, #1% Sending Off Clarke P (Kilmarnock)

DUNDER UNITED (0) 1 (Gough 56) MORTON (0) 1 (Hutchison 81)

Att 5 986

Oundee Utd. McAlpine 6, Stark 6, Malpas 5. *GOUGH 7, Negarty 6, Narey 6, Bannon 6 (sub Reilly 6), Milne 6, Holt 6 (sub Kirkwood) Sturrock 6, Dodds 6

Morton, Baines 6, Doak 6, Holmes 6, Rooney 6, McLaughtin 6, Duffy 5, Payne 5, Hotchison 6, *DOCHERTY 7, McNe II 6 (sub McGavigan), Houston 5 (sub. Slaven) Referee: J. Duncan (Edinburgh) Match Rating 事業 Sending Off, Duffy (Morion)

HIBERNIAN (1) 1 (tryine 26) MOTHERWELL (1) 1 (Harrow 14) Att 4 300

All 4 300 Hibs. Rough 6, Sneddon 5, Duncan 5 (sub-Welsh 4), Turnbull 5, Rae 6, McNamara 6, Conroy 6, *RICE 7, Invine 6, Thomson 6

Motherwell: *WALKER 8, Dornan 5
MacLeod 5 Forbes 6 Edvaldsson 6
Mauchien 4, Gahagan 4 (sub. Clinging).
Rafferty 5 Harrow 5, McClair 5 (sub. Coyne) O'Hara 5

O Hara's Referee: H Young (Earkhati) Match Rating, ** Sending Off: Mauchlen (Motherwell)

ST MIRREN (1) 1 (Fitzpatrick 6) RANGERS (0) 0 At: 11 484

Att 11 484
St Miren: Thomson 6, Wi son 6, Clark 6
Fitzpalinck 6, McCormack 7 ** FULTON 8
Stark 5. Richardson 7 McDougal 7
McAvennia 7 Scanlon 5 (sub Wardrop)
Rangers, McCloy 6. **DAWSON 7, Black 6
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As the 31-year-old explains: "With County having never qualified for Europe and rarely venturing outside England for friendly games, there's little opportunity to obtain anything other than domestic programmes.

"Since Forest's two successive European Cup triumphs, they have been dodging about to all corners of the world for friendlies and tournaments, and these programmes are among the most valuable and interesting ones

"Only recently they were over in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, and it's always interesting to get

programmes from these countries. "You just never know with Cloughie. One minute Forest are playing the other side of the world, and the next they are down at Gravesend

"I get a lot of assistance from Forest secretary Ken Smales in getting some of the programmes.

"Sometimes they are glossy publications, while other times they might be just a two-page

The most valuable programme in his 2,000 strong collection is Forest's World Club Championship match with Nacional in Tokyo two years ago.

"It appears that the Japanese FA didn't have that many printed for this match and they are now in some demand," explains Bryan, who lives at Arnold on the outskirts of Nottingham.

'l understand they are fetching around £40 these days, but I was lucky in that a friend of mine went to the game and brought back about twenty.

"He wanted a programme from

my collection, and I did a swop.
"I also picked up three special four-page programmes that were printed for the game in Japanese, English and Spanish.

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Football Programme Directory.

Bryan, who resumed his programme collection a few years ago after a six-year break, has complete sets of Forest and County home programmes since the middle sixties.

'I watch all County's home games and I have some fine memories of matches in recent years which clinched promotion,"

"My dad always followed County and it was with having programmes in the house that I became interested in the hobby

from about the age of 12. "He always went on about the brilliance of County's England centre-forward Tommy Lawton, I never saw him play, but I always wanted a County programme with him in the team.

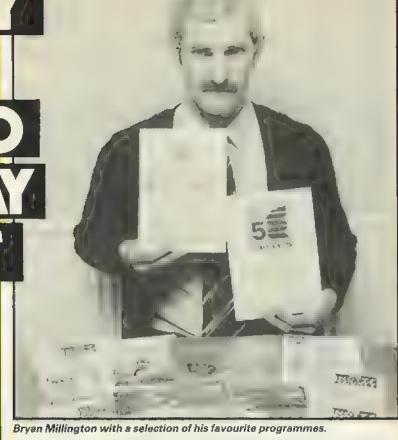
"I eventually managed to get hold of a 1949 County programme with him down at number nine, and that holds pride of place among my County collection."

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BY a strange coincidence, two different readers have asked for valuations on the same three FA Cup Final programmes from the

The requests have come from David Foster of Leyland, Lancs, and Rocky Tampin, of Cowley, Oxford, and the programmes in question are against Leicester in 1961, Burnley in 1962 and Cheisea in 1967

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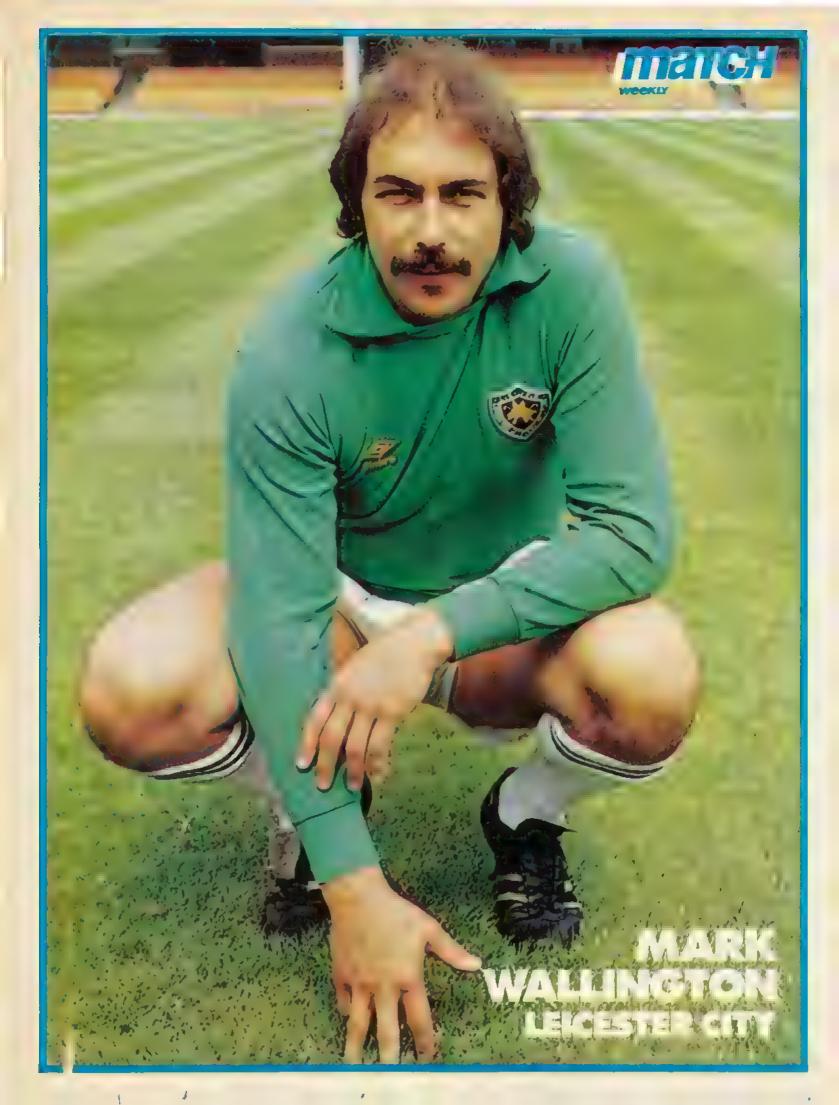
"it's just something I've always done — they've got a cupboard full,"
says the former West Brom and now Manchester United star.

Bryan's own favourite is the programme from the first leg of the Final of the old Fairs Cup between Newcastie and Ujpest Dozsa in 1969.

The 'Magpies' won the game 3-0 and went on to win the Cup 6-2 on aggregate and Bryan says:

"It was the first time they won something in the time I supported them so it will always bring back special memories for me."





'THE Reds' fans will be celebrating at Maine Road on Saturday afternoon as Ron Atkinson's star-studded United prove too strong for troubled neighbours City — in the big Manchester derby

This week's special guest on 'Star Challenge', Southampton's highly rated defender Mark Wright, expects the Old Trafford side to trot out resounding 3-1 winners

Says Mark: "United are hitting form at the right time and I believe

they'll be too strong for City.
"England skipper Bryan Robson
is in great form at the moment and when he's playing well the whole team ticks. The midfield is where the battle will be won and that's

where United are strongest "City have a very good side on paper and it's a mystery to me why they are finding life so hard. Obviously they haven't been helped by the resignation of manager John Bond."

Mark can't see First Division runaway leaders Liverpool slipping up against Stoke City at Anfield and he also goes for the League Champions to record a 3-1 win. 'I can't see anyone beating

Liverpool in their current form. They are impossible to combat. The League championship is

already sewn up. "At Highbury there's an interesting game between two very good defensive sides Arsenal and Nottingham Forest — and I'm going for a 2-2 draw in that

"I'd like to see 'The Gunners' win because my good friend Stewart Robson plays for them. We met while we were members of the England youth team and have been firm friends since

Mark has been challenged by Southampton fan Claire Stevens (15) of Bishopstoke, Eastleigh, Hants. Both have predicted the scorelines of ten First Division matches and points will be awarded according to the accuracy of the forecasts.

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Southampton's Mark Wright (above) and his challenger Claire Stevens (below).



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 Congratulations to Paul Seear of Colchester, Essex, who beat Ipswich Town's Steve McCall by four points to three in the February 19 'Star Challenge'.

Here are the ten selected metches for this week, together with the predictions of a lucky 'Match' reader and his famous opponent. There's space for you to fill in your predictions and a column for the

Award two points for every correct score and one point if the result is correct (i.e. home win, away win, draw), but the scoreline is wrong

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DIVISION FOUR

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GENOA's Belgian international star Rene Vandereycken is at the centre of a new row.

He seriously injured a knee during Belgium's game against Bulgaria last year and needed an operation.

The player wanted to have the operation in Belgium, but the Italians, furious at what had happened, wanted him to return to Italy.

In the end, Rene was operated on in Belgium and now the Italians are demanding massive compensation for the player's absence.

They claim that had he returned to Italy, he would have been guaranteed a more rapid return to action.

■ THE end of a glorious career in Spain now looks in sight for Valencia's Mario Kempes.

The former Argentine World Cup star made his name with Valencia before the 1978 Finals.

But now he's failing to make any impact on the Spanish League and Valencia chairman Ramos Costa says: "He has a very big name and a very big contract, but he's producing a very big nothing on the pitch." Meanwhile former West German World Cup

star Rainer Bonhof, a team-mate of Kempes' at Valencia in '78, has moved from Cologne to

Hertha Berlin for £110,000.



Runaway Nantes

FRENCH League leaders Nantes could set new all-time records in the First Division this season.

With 14 matches left and a seven-point lead over Bordeaux, Nantes were on course to crack their own record of 60 points from 38 games - set in 1966.

They are also in line to record the fewest defeats in a season. The record is three, held by St.-Etienne, and to date Nantes have lost only two

One of the key factors in their success is the form of sweeper Maxime Bossis, who played for France in the World Cup Finals last

■ CAMEROON World Cup goalkeeper Thomas N'Kono is enjoying his football in Spain...but not the weather.

Despite wearing layers of clothes during matches he's still feeling the cold. One warming thought, however, he's been voted African Footballer of the Year by France Football for his performances during the World Cup Finals.

WORLD Champions Italy are threatened with being ripped apart by angry manager Enzo Bearzot.

The World Cup holders have failed to win any of their first three European Championship qualifiers.

And it seems the pipe-smoking Bearzot has come to the end of his tether with the team that brought Italy so much glory in Spain last MARKET Y TO STORE THE

Bearzot surprised his critics by sticking to his faithful old guard when he picked the

squad for the game against Cyprus.

Demanding at least a 3-0 win, he stuck to all the familiar names - even including veterans Dino Zoff, Franco Causio and Francesco Graziani.

His team flopped to a 1-1 draw, however, and now Bearzot warns that the time for

changes has come.

He says: "Many of the players are not at their best. It could be time to introduce some vounger men.

Despite his problems, Bearzot still insists that Italy can qualify for the European Championship Finals.

But he faces a major challenge in bringing the best out of World Cup hero Paolo Rossi scorer of only three goals in the League this

season for Juventus.

The Cyprus game was another flop for Rossi scorer of six goals in the World Cup Finals. His last goal for club or country was scored back in early November

He has been regularly substituted by his club this season but he has been receiving a

lot of hard treatment from defenders.

Says his team-mate Marco Tardelli: "All our opponents get stuck in hard and rough against him.

FORMER Manchester United striker Joe Jordan will quit Italy when he leaves AC

Joe, enjoying a much better season with the club, vows: "I shall never play for any other team in Italy."

Last term was a disaster for Joe. He managed only two goals as his club were relegated to Division Two.
This season he has hit nine already and he says: "I am lucky that the supporters have stuck by me and I'm pleased with the way things are going."

'But I'm more concerned about team erformances and team goals than my own. The top goalscorer's award means nothing to

"The most important thing is promotion."

Joe Jordan --- enjoying life in Italy.



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"THE Glenn Hoddle Weekly" --that's what your magazine is called in our family. 'Match' seems to include Glenn Hoddle every single week. Take one of your issues last

month, for instance. The front cover had the word 'Hoddle' plastered across it, with a picture of Glenn above. On pages 2 and 3, players and managers were asked if Hoddle should play for England and, on page 27, there he was again . . . the Glenn Hoddle column.

I have nothing against the Tottenham star. He is a good player, but not so good that

everyone else is forgotten.

If you want to talk about Glenn Hoddle so much, why not issue another magazine entitled 'Hoddle Weekly' or 'Glenn Galore' and leave us non-Spurs supporters to read all about the other stars of football and to enjoy 'Match Facts', which are brilliant. Stephen Daniell, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

SURE Glenn was featured on four pages of that particular issue . . . but that's unusual. Glenn's fortnightly column is all that normally appears in 'Match' relating to the Tottenham

DID You know that Glenn Hoddle is the most popular footballer? I asked everybody in my class who their favourite player was,

and the voting went like this:

- 1 Glenn Hoddle 7 votes
- 2 Trevor Brooking 6 votes. 3 Bryan Robson 3 votes. 4 Steve Archibald, Vladimir
- Petrovic, Phil Parkes, Peter Shilton - 2 votes.
- 8 Kevin Keegan, Kenny Dalglish, Trevor Francis — 1 vote. Philip Castle, Woodford Bridge, Essex.
- I WONDER if we would get the same results from a Northern classroom...

I READ with some annoyance the views of Andrew Philp (Terrace Talk, February 5), when he said that Scottish goalkeepers are just as good as their English counterparts. Of course they're

TV highlights are enough to convince me that Scottish keepers are erratic. Alan Rough and Jim Leighton are two prime examples. How can they be compared to Peter Shilton and Ray Clemence?

Scottish goalkeepers are the worst in Britain while English keepers are the best in the world

Peter Cranthorne, Lower Clapton, London.

BEING a South African, it is beyond my comprehension why the British public stay away from Football League matches.

All right, high prices, hooliganism and the cold weather are a bit of a turn-off, but believe me, the British First Division is the best in the World. There's no place I would rather be than at White Hart Lane to watch Tottenham, but I've got to watch South African football . . . and it's rubbish.
My advice to British fans is to

get out and support your team. The rest of the world envise you. Lance Dyer, Durban, South

HOW can Birmingham's Kevin Dillon claim in 'Match' that City goalkeeper Tony Coton is better than Manchester United's Gary

Bailey. Gary has been Match Weekly's Top Stopper for the past two seasons and is surely next in line for the England goalkeeper's job when Peter Shilton and Ray Clemence step down.

Coton is not in the same class. His performances haven't helped Birmingham climb away from the foot of the First Division table. And Kevin Dillon should think twice before making hasty comments.

R. Thomas, Porthcawl, Mid-Glamorgan.



Keith Dillon — his claims that Tony Coton is better than Gary Bailey are a bit hasty, according to R. Thomas.

THANKS to all the 'Match' readers who responded to my letter in Terrace Talk' in October and sent me items concerning Kevin Keegan for a special book. I managed to present the book to Kevin at Lottus Road last

month. Kevin was very pleased with it and thanks the fans for their efforts.

Marian Webb, Stoke Newington, London.

SURELY now is the time to introduce summer soccer.

Winter football is ridiculous. Just look at the attendances. Who wants to watch soccer played on awful pitches on a freezing cold afternoon?

I would much rather watch a game in the middle of June, basking on a sun-baked terrace in my T-hirt. Darren Gregory, Maybank, Staffs.

A POSSIBLE solution to the long-running battle between England boss Bobby Robson and the Football League over the cancellation of League fixtures prior to an important international would be to play internationals on a Saturday.

The League programme could then be staged on the following

Wednesday.
This would mean that the England boss would have a full week with his squad before the international and would



HILLSTER

AS a loyal Manchester City supporter, I felt really down in the dumps when I heard that John Bond had resigned as City manager. John is a man I have always admired. He is totally honest.

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When he arrived at Maine Road, the team were in a critical state, languishing at the bottom of the First Division. But after Bond's arrival, City surged up to a mid-table position, reached the League Cup Semi-Finals and, to top it all, reached the FA Cup Final.

I'm sure I speak for many City fans when I say that John did a terrific job. He built a good team for the future and I'm sure that caretaker boss John Benson will continue the good work where labellet off.

John left off.

Chris Streeter, Colchester, Essex.

guarantee a full house at Wembley, with the match being the day's only big game. Mark Hayes (14), Mill Hill, London.

I THINK a step in the right direction for football would be to scrap the loan system. Too many clubs abuse it.

Some managers borrow a player just to fill in for an injured star. They have no intention of signing their loaned player on a full-time basis.

It can do the confidence of a player no good to be shunted from one club to another. Steven Cooper, Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire.

WHAT a shrewd move it was by manager Lawrie McMenemy to appoint Steve Williams captain of Southampton, even though he had more experienced candidates in Nick Holmes and

Lawrie realised that Steve was ready for responsibility after several ups-and-downs with the

This season has been Steve's best for the club. He is the driving force in midfield, full of skill, flair and with a venomous shot in both feet.

Can England afford to ignore his unquestionable talents for much longer? David Tyrrell, Ewell, Surrey.



Steve Williams - for how much longer can England ignore his unquestionable talents? asks David Tyrrell.

Here's my football top ten: 1 Down Under — Ron

Greenwood in Australia. Steppin' Out — John Bond. Up Where We Belong — Manchester United.

Best Years of Our Lives -

Liverpool. Under Attack — Birmingham City.

6 Friends - Brian Clough and

Peter Taylor. Young Guns (Go For It) Norman Whiteside and Gary

Mabbutt.
Time — Bobby Robson.
A Winter's Tale — postponed

fixtures. Sign of the Times — falling attendances Sheena Watt, High Wycombe,

I HAVE to say that I found Tavrid Ibraheen's letter in 'Terrace Talk' a bit far fetched, I know he's entitled to his opinion but suggesting that England will win the European Championship and then the 1986 World Cup is really

stretching the imagination. Just because England beat a bunch of amateurs — Luxembourg — 9-0, people are getting the idea that they are world-beaters. I'm sure that any strong footballing nation that is drawn to meet the likes of Luxembourg could put up a similar big score.

Cornelius Casey, County Cork, Eire

YOU mean like world champions Italy against little Cyprus?

I MUST congratulate Burnley's gallant and courageous
performance at Anfield in the
first leg of the Milk Cup
Semi-Final against Liverpool.
Being a Tottenham supporter, I
was well aware of their guts and
determination, but Burnley

battled really bravely against

Liverpool and were unlucky to lose 3-0.

What was really amazing was the way the travelling Burnley fans outsang the 'Kop' and really got behind their team.

And the chances Burnley created must give the rest of the First Division hope that the Championship race is not quite over yet. John Wrightson (Ricardo Villa's

car mechanic), Harrogate, North Yorkshire.

'MATCH' is the best soccer magazine money can buy. I'm glad someone in our class buys it — well done Christopher Dart! Lisa Rowlands (11), Ashford,

Middlesex.

YOU could buy your own. you know!



Alan Rough — no better than a non-League goalkeeper in Guernsey, says Alan Cockayne.

I WAS reading 'Terrace Talk' when I came across a letter from Andrew Philp of Scotland, claiming that Scottish 'keepers were on a par with the likes of Peter Shilton and Ray Clemence.

I read on, with tears of laughter blurring my view of the page, that Andrew has seen Clemence drop a few clangers in

When the state of the Day's mistakes are few and far between, but one only has to watch 'Match of the Day' or 'The Big Match' to see that nearly every goal scored in Scotland is a goalie's mistake.

When corners are taken. Scottish 'keepers stand rooted to the line as if they have superglue on their studs. I don't rate them any higher than our local Guernsey 'keeper . . and that includes Alan Rough. Alan Cockayne, Guernsey, Channel Islands.

GOLDEN GOOF

"WHAT'S this? Are there 11 King Edwards playing at White Hart Lane?" asks Marie Clarke, of Perrystown, Dublin, who spotted this Golden Goof.

One consolation for Spuds is that the youngsters who were drafted in to face Everton on Monday performed well in the 2-1 win and some of them seem sure to keep their places.

IT's nice to see programmes improving and Port Vale have certainly polished up theirs.

Vale's programme has 24 pages, lots of colour features and plenty of interesting articles. It's great value for 40p. Jason Duffin, Leeds, Yorkshire.

AS Cardiff City steam towards a quick return to the Second Division, top scorer Jeff Hemmerman is a source of embarrassment to one of their promotion

With 22 League and Cup goals to his credit up to the middle of last month, Jeff released by Portsmouth last summer, is proving one of the bargain signings of the season.

Not only that, but the former Hull and Port Vale striker scored the only goal when Cardiff and Portsmouth clashed at Ninian Park earlier this season!

"I've got no vendetta against Portsmouth because I had four happy years there, but the fact they released me has given me that little bit more incentive to do well with Cardiff," says Jeff, who was Portsmouth's second top scorer

last season.

'Portsmouth are a great club and I hope they get promotion this season, so long as we do.

was about to sign a new two-year contract at Portsmouth when manager Frank Burrows was sacked. When Bobby Campbell took over he felt I was surplus to requirements.

"The papers tried to get me going when we faced Portsmouth earlier this season, but i

Spotlight on Ninian Park and the Portsmouth reject who is playing a major role in Cardiff's promotion

'But I don't mind who scores the goals so

long as we keep winning.
"I joined Cardiff because of their prospects. I had several offers from clubs in the summer, including Huddersfield who are also among the Third Division front runners, but I felt Cardiff could go places

"I want the chance to show people that I can score goals in the Second Division, but my long term aim is to play in the First Division, preferably with Cardiff if possible.

'I've scored goals against teams like Arsenal and Manchester United in the past, and I would love to play against those sort of teams every

week.

"If I can keep scoring goals, and perhaps finish at the top of the Third Division, scoring list, then who knows what might lay around the corner.



Jeff Hemmerman — causing a few red faces on the south coast.

wanted to do my talking on the field.
"As it turned out, I scored the only goal so that was my answer, although I never felt I had

anything to prove."

Now Jeff is hoping he can keep his scoring spree going to enable him to play in the Second Division for the first time.

Pressure

"I've got to hand a lot of the credit for my goals to fellow strikers Bob Hatton and Dave Bennett who have taken a lot of the pressure

off me.
"I'm just enjoying one of those purple spells
that strikers get now and again, and all I hope is that I can keep it going.

"I can remember once scoring 16 before Christmas at Portsmouth, and then finishing with only 18, although I was troubled by injury.

For long-serving defender Phil Dwyer this taste of success is sweet after the bitter struggles against relegation in recent years.

In five of the past six seasons Cardiff hovered on the brink of relegation before finally falling through the trapdoor last season.

But Phil senses a completely different outlook at the club this season.

"After all the problems we have had in recent seasons, I've found a different attitude in the dressing rooms and in the city.

Obviously a lot of this is due to new manager Len Ashurst, and the new men he has brought in like Bob Hatton and Jeff Hemmerman who

are doing a tremendous job up front. "The Third Division is a hard League. Away

matches in particular tend to be a battle. It's a question of winning those early battles and then settling down to play some football.

'In the Second Division you are allowed more time on the ball.

'I think we are well equipped to get promotion, but we would probably need two or three players to strengthen us for the Second.

'I just hope that if we can reclaim our Second Division place, we are not reduced by relegation battles again.





LEAGUE TOPS WEDNESDAY'S LIST OF PRIORITIES

SHEFFIELD Wednesday's two-goal Cup hero Gary Megson would swop a Wembley ticket and a unique family double for a place in the First Division next season.

His father, Don, skippered Wednesday on their last Cup Final appearance 17 years ago when they were beaten 3-2 by Gary's former club Everton.

But with Second Division Wednesday just 180 minutes away from another Wembley date, midfield man Gary admits: "The club and the fans need First Division football and I would swop a Cup Final appearance for promotion this season.

"It's nice to have Cup glory for the fans, but the players know that we must get Wednesday into the First Division where they belong.

"I know we have a lot of work to do to achieve promotion this season, mainly because we have dropped too many points at home.

"But if we could play as well as we did at Cambridge in the last round of the Cup, then there is still some hope.

"It was our best performance for about three months and I can't understand why we had only won one League game since early November prior to that Cup victory."

Since his two-goal show at Cambridge, Gary has been constantly reminded about the family tie-up and the 1966 omens.

"When Wednesday reached the Final in 1966, they were drawn away in every round, and it's happened to us this season," says Gary, who has scored in every round.

"I don't remember much about that Final as

I was only seven, but Dad has always told me it's a day you never forget.

"I was at the game but all I can remember is the sheer disappointment among the players and fans after allowing a two-goal lead slip."

Gary has already tasted the bitter disappointment of a Semi-Final defeat with Everton three years ago. "I didn't play in the replay against West

"I didn't play in the replay against West Ham, but going out so close to Wembley ranks as the most disappointing football moment of my career.

"If we do make it to the last four, I hope I

"If we do make it to the last four, I hope I don't get a repeat experience."

Gary, whose two goals at Cambridge were the first brace of his career, believes Jack Charlton's side can make it to the Semi-Finals.

"We were more disappointed at not being drawn at home than being concerned about the opposition," he says.

"We are by no means worried about the prospect of visiting another Second Division side, but we would have preferred a home tie, whatever the opposition.

Reflecting on his glory show at Cambridge, Gary adds: "I rapped the first one in from twenty yards after a Pat Heard shot had been charged down, and then Pat laid on the second with a through ball that I took round the 'keeper."

the 'keeper.
"I ran my legs off looking for the third but I couldn't find it.

"We were always confident of getting a result at Cambridge, and quite honestly we thought we had won the match at 1-0.

"We had enough chances to have won by a far greater margin, but we made it difficult for ourselves by giving away a stupid goal from a corner late on." IN your FA Cup Sixth Round preview issue . . .

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Spotlight on the 'Wee Man' of Scottish football . . . ABERDEEN

FULL NAME: Gordon David Strachan. BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Edinburgh/February 9,

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft. 5ins./10st. MARRIED: Yes, to Lesley. CHILDREN: Gavin (4) and Craig (nine

CHILDREN: Gavin (4) and Craig (filme months).

CAR: Audi coupe GT and Talbot Samba.

PREVIOUS CLUB: Dundee.

CLUB NICKNAME: 'Wee Man'.

WORST EVER INJURY: A stomach injury in 1981 — missed half a season.

FAVOURITE SCOTTISH LEAGUE PLAYER

AND WHY: Paul Sturrock of Dundee United be's inspirational and he's got plenty of

he's inspirational and he's got plenty of

money!
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Hibernian.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY:
Brazil's Falcao — he's in a different class.
BEST-ALL TIME BRITISH TEAM: Banks,
McGrain, Cooper, Moore, McNeil, Ball,
Charlton, Stanton, Greaves, Law, Best.
ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI; Banks,
McGrain, Moore, Beckenbauer, Junior,
Falcao, Gerson, Conti, Maradona, Pele, Best.
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Dens Park
(Dundee) (Dundee)

FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Eintracht Frankfurt, BEST GOAL SCORED: Versus Hibernian in

season 1981-82. BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Socrates for Brazil against Italy in the last World Cup Finals — a great build-up and finish MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Too many to

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Scottish Cup Final in 1982 when Aberdeen beat Rangers

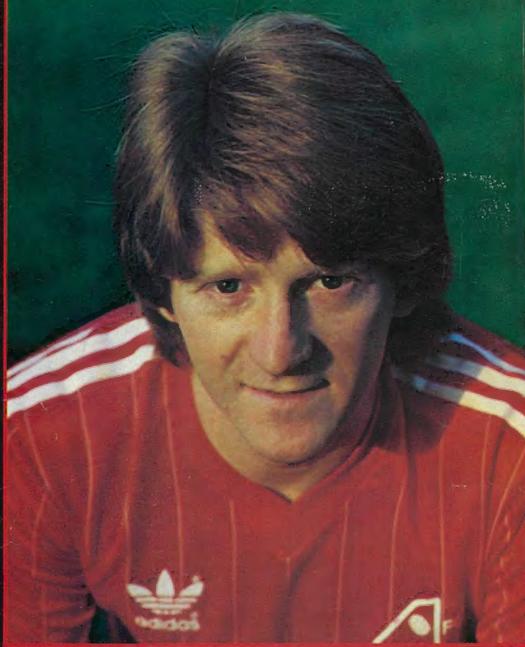
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Scoring four goals for Aberdeen against

Dundee this season.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Playing badly for Aberdeen when I first arrived.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Golf and

MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Quiet nights in watching TV and going for a



Danny McGrain — the only Scotsman in Gordon Strachan's all-time international X1.



MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Shopping and playing badly. FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Russ Abbot's Madhouse TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: Crossroads. FAVOURITE READING: Sunday Post. FAVOURITE POP STAR: Neil Diamond. FAVOURITE FOOD: Tripe. FAVOURITE DRINK: Ribena. BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Switzerland. FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Paul. Newman/Jenny Agutter. BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Raiders of the Lost Ark. the Lost Ark. BEST FRIEND: Alec Caldwell and the elusive

George Mackie (haven't seen him for three

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Aberdeen's Alex Ferguson and my wife.
WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Hooliganism.
SUPERSTITIONS: Plenty!
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Poached eggs.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Scottish
Schoolboy, Youth, Under-21 and full caps.
PERSONAL AMBITION: Always to try and improve my game.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: No idea.
PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Eric Black.
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: Jim from the comedy series 'Taxi'.
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Don't take tax
free money from football boot companies!